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The War Program

FIRE AND SMOKE

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SMOKE and flame, man's historic tools of war, are searing and blinding the enemy along the whole rim of our global front under the guidance of the Chemical Warfare Service. With smoke screens covering the advance, incendiaries razing rear areas, and flamethrowers blasting at strong points, Allied troops are using ancient methods to help win modern battles.

The 4.2-inch chemical mortar, a portable weapon capable of lobbing a 25-pound shell more than two miles, has gained top honors for service to date. Three chemical weapons battalions, making their debut in Sicily, got ashore in the first waves of assault troops. One battalion was in continuous combat the entire 38 days of the campaign and has already been commended for its gallant showing.

Most of the mortar battalions were split into component parts to support individual operations. One unit—call it Company X—was attached to an infantry Ranger battalion and landed with the pioneer troops, hauling its mortar carts into position four miles inland. In the face of a bitter Nazi tank attack which threatened to wipe out the foot troops, the mortar crews laid down a smoke screen in front of and among the tanks, disorganizing the attack until artillery could be moved up under cover of the screen. Shells filled with white phosphorus were fired in this action. Although used primarily for its screening effect, WP is also an efficient incendiary which bursts and scatters minute flaming particles for many yards. The bursting shells blinded each vehicle in clouds of white smoke, which was sucked into the tanks, forcing the operators to dismount.

The ranger battalion, with Company X in support, worked its way to the interior, only to meet a fierce attack by Italian tanks. This time the mortars fired high explosive shells into the armored formation, disabling three tanks and forcing the others to retreat. HE shells at other points in the campaign often proved as effective as white phosphorus against tanks. In some cases a mixture of HE and WP worked out best.

A mortar platoon in support of another infantry outfit on the Sicilian beaches put down a white phosphorus smoke screen to cover an advance at bayonet point against a strong German position. A combination of WP and a bayonet charge is enough to terrify even crack troops. While attempting to escape the flying phosphorus and to see through the blinding smoke, the Germans could never tell when a line of charging Americans was going to loom through the screen. Admittedly, white phosphorus, like shrapnel, is not a nice weapon; but it is proving effective in hastening the end of the war.

As a screening agent alone, WP has shown its value. One chemical company in Sicily maintained a solid wall of smoke along a 1000-yard front for 14

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11,000 Naval Officers Promoted on 1 March

More than 11,000 junior officers of the line and staff corps of the Regular Navy and Naval Reserve (including Women's Reserve) were given temporary promotion to next higher ranks by an order approved by the President 1 March.

Promoted to lieutenant were lieutenants (junior grade) of the line of the Regular Navy whose dates of rank as such are 1 Feb. 1943, or earlier; lieutenants (junior grade) of the staff corps of the Regular Navy whose names are printed below; and lieutenants (junior grade) of the line and staff of the Naval Reserve in a continuous active duty status in that rank since 1 Feb. 1943, or earlier. Approximately 1,900 lieutenants (junior grade) were advanced under the order.

Promoted to lieutenant (junior grade) were approximately 9,700 ensigns, including ensigns of the line and staff of the Regular Navy whose dates of rank as such are 1 Feb. 1943 or earlier, and ensigns of the line and staff of the Naval Reserve in a continuous active duty status in that rank since 1 Feb. 1943, or earlier.

The promotions were effective 1 March 1944. They are subject to the customary conditions governing such en bloc advancements.

The lieutenants (junior grade) of the Regular Navy staff corps promoted were:

Medical Corps	
John E. Hall	W. A. Dinsmore, jr.
William G. Lawson	William A. Wulfman
J. R. Battenfeld, jr.	Charles R. Sias
James H. Boyers	Byrne W. Mayer
Paul W. Burke	James A. Turner
Homer J. Moore	Henry J. Roberts
Jack C. McCurdy	John E. Promer
Edward M. Wurzel	Clifford R. Cole

Dental Corps	
Jack E. Myers	Arthur E. Anderson
Civil Engineer Corps	
Sidney Mank	

New Armored Field Manual

Cooperation of all arms—infantry, tanks, artillery, air—to form a hard-hitting, smooth-working team is the keynote of a new Armored Field Manual, "Employment of Tanks with Infantry," now in the process of being issued to troops.

The new manual clarifies U. S. Army tank-infantry doctrine. Col. Thomas V. Webb, director of the publications section, training literature department of the Armored School, which prepared the manual, stated that it "emphasizes the current trend toward closer infantry-tank cooperation in the employment of separate tank battalions with elements of an infantry division." Maj. Gen. Charles L. Scott, commanding general of the Armored Center, commented that, "doctrine for the employment of separate tank battalions has now been rewritten to liberalize and clarify the methods of employment of tanks with infantry."

Further instruction in the practice and technique of night operation is provided for in a recent directive from ARTC Headquarters at Fort Knox. The course will consist of a mounted phase conducted by the combat driving section, and a dismounted phase.

Emphasize Medical Training

Emphasizing that malaria, diarrheal diseases and neuropsychiatric disorders are each responsible for a large part of hospital admissions, the War Department has issued instructions that every officer, noncommissioned officer and enlisted man be given standard courses of instruction in first aid, sanitation and personal adjustment. Material for the personal adjustment courses for all ranks—a new topic in military education—is being distributed by the Surgeon General as rapidly as it can be prepared.

The commanding generals of the Army Ground, Air and Service Forces have been ordered to provide such inspections and tests as will assure the attainment and maintenance of the appropriate minimum standards of proficiency in first aid, sanitation and personal adjustment by all commissioned and enlisted personnel. At least one inspection and test will be

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Business Loans to Veterans

Secretary of Commerce Jones announced this week that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation had extended its small business loan program to include loans to those returning to private life from the Armed Forces of the United States to assist them in reestablishing business operations which they were forced to liquidate or to turn over to others on entering the service.

The applicants will be expected to show prior business experience, to have a proper amount of equity capital, and there should appear a sound economic need for the business. It is the desire of the Corporation that these loans be made and serviced by local banks throughout the country, with a satisfactory participation agreement by the RFC.

Applications should be filed through the banks or other financial institutions, but where it is not so the bank can or will make the loan, they should be filed with the RFC directly through its Loan Agencies.

WAC Shifted To General Staff

The Office of the Director, Women's Army Corps, was transferred 1 March, from the jurisdiction of the Commanding General, Army Service Forces, to the War Department General Staff.

Col. Oveta Culp Hobby, Director of the WAC, is being assigned to the General Staff to facilitate the carrying out of her duties. Certain of her staff, in turn, will be assigned to Personnel (G-1), Organization and Training (G-3), and Supply (G-4) Divisions of the War Department General Staff to handle matters pertaining to the Women's Army Corps under policies and plans for which those Divisions are responsible.

Navy Nurse Corps Rank

On 26 Feb. the President signed H.R. 2976, the bill that gives actual rank to members of the Navy Nurse Corps during the period ending 6 months after the conclusion of the war. Heretofore they have had relative rank only. The enacted law places the nurses on a level with the officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.

Academy Service May Increase Officer Pay

Additional amendments may be proposed by the Senate Military Affairs Committee to the Merritt Bill, H. R. 1506, to insure:

First, that service at the Military, Naval and Coast Guard Academies shall be counted by officers for pay purposes.

Second, that Army and Navy nurses will be able to obtain added allowances for children or parents who are in fact dependent, and that all service women may obtain allowances for husbands who are in fact dependent.

Third, that that part of the Merritt Bill which permits commissioned warrant officers of the sea services to count for pay purposes all the service which officers may count will not be nullified by a "joker" in another part of the bill. The Merritt bill as passed would permit warrant officers and chief warrant officers to count certain types of service for pay purposes, but would not permit commissioned warrant officers to count the same kinds of service for longevity pay. The stand of the Navy that only commissioned service should be counted for advancement in pay periods by commissioned warrant officers is not in question by the committee.

Fourth, that chief engineers of the Army Mine Planter service, as well as masters, shall be in the third pay period, with base pay of \$2,400.

In addition to these amendments, Senator Johnson, of Colo., as reported in the 12 Feb. issue of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL already has proposed amendments which would:

1. Make permanent those wartime provisions of the pay act which authorize enlisted service to be counted for pay purposes.

2. Enlarge the definition of parent in the pay act to include those who stand in relation of parent to the serviceman, as well as natural parent.

All the proposed amendments have been submitted to the War Department for comment. As soon as the department's report is received, the committee will begin consideration of the bill.

The War and Navy Departments already are on record as favoring crediting of Academy service for pay purposes. Inasmuch as they have asked dependents' allowances for WACS and members of the various women's reserves, it is logical that the same allowances for nurses also will be supported.

The Merritt Bill, as passed by the House early in February has as its principal object the crediting of warrant and enlisted personnel with all the types of service which officers are entitled to count for pay purposes under the pay act of 16 June 1942 and its amendment of 2 Dec. 1942.

Honor General Vandegrift

Lt. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, commandant of the Marine Corps, received, 27 Feb., the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Brown University, Providence, R. I. The citation lauded General Vandegrift for his "distinguished achievements, which exemplify the finest qualities of the service you adorn."

Finland

Worcester Telegram—"In a small way, the collapse of Finland would resemble the surrender of Italy. It would impose an added burden upon the German command."

Norfolk Virginian—"In a word, with a certain moral justification on its side, Finland backed the wrong horse. To its infinite hard luck backing the wrong horse made Finland an accomplice, in Russian eyes in the agonizing siege of Leningrad—the memory of which rankles in Moscow's present thinking and inspires the Russian government with a passion for retaliation that brooks no interference by her Anglo-American allies."

New Orleans Item—"If the Finns are fighting for their national integrity, so are the Russians contending for theirs. That makes a hard case to compromise on terms that won't leave deep scars on one or the other."

St. Louis Post-Dispatch—"Secretary Hull's recent diplomatic blast, in which he warned the Finns to get out of the war or take the consequences, may have something to do with the rising sentiment in favor of

making peace with the Allies. Russia's warning, underlined more pragmatically with bombs on Helsinki and Kota, almost undoubtedly carried persuasion."

Baltimore Sun—"Peace with Finland would be a moral blow to Germany. It could scarcely be without effect on the morale of the Germans themselves. Its effect in the other satellite nations farther to the south—in Rumania, which beholds with due misgiving the advance of the Russians toward her border, and in shabby Bulgaria—would be very great."

Toledo Blade—"Finland's move for peace means an admission that it knows that Germany is going to lose. That will have weight with the other wavering satellites of Germany."

Manchester Union—"Under the circumstances, Finland should welcome rather than resent the proposal that temporarily the Russians occupy her centers of defense."

Arizona Republic—"Finland faces the same possible fate as Italy if she surrenders and drops out of the war at this time. It will be necessary for the Russians to drive the Germans out of Finland just as it is for the British and Americans to chase them out of Italy."

Indianapolis Star—"The Finnish people are justified in alarm over the prospect of Russian occupation. They cannot feel sure as to what that might mean eventually. Undoubtedly they will look to us and to Great Britain to do what we can to help them get terms that will insure the future of their nation."

Dayton Herald—"As a democratic nation fighting for the preservation of democracy our interest must be centered in the wishes and welfare of the average Finn, not in the wishes and welfare of the ruling class. We must remember that the ruling classes in Finland and Poland have little in common with what are called, somewhat loosely, the ruling classes in truly democratic countries; in Britain, for example."

Detroit Free Press—"Would it surprise anyone to discover that Stalin is not only writing his own ticket in Northwestern Europe but also inspiring those suggestions that go forward to Helsinki from London and Washington?"

New York Times—"It is a step which, like the surrender of a defeated and dispirited Italy, foreshadows the defeat of Hitler Germany, and as such it is bound to have a profound effect throughout Europe and the world."

Naval Officer Retirements

The following retirements of naval officers were approved by the President on 1 March:

For Disability, USN
Mach. J. E. Mettee Chf. Pay Clk. David
Capt. V. L. Kirkman A. Robeson
Comdr. C. C. Farmer Elec. E. Saunders
Comdr. A. E. Freed Mach. Jack L. J. Sche-
Comdr. P. C. Tread-
well
Lt. Comdr. C. A. Hav-
ard
Lt. Comdr. G. K. Huff
Lt. R. H. Best
Lt. F. H. Edwards
Ens. E. V. Conrad
Bosn. John Kopka
Chf. Mach. Edward D.
Herpin
Chf. Gun. Clarence M.
Maloney

For Disability, USNR
Lt. Comdr. Harry E. Chace
Lt. Comdr. Russell P. Goodman
Lt. Kenneth Craver
Ens. William Boyd
Ens. Faris Jones
Elec. Francis J. C.
Stagnaro
Lt. Comdr. Willard B. Fessenden (MC)
Lt. Comdr. Henry Gallager (MC)
Lt. Comdr. Clifford E. McElwain (MC)
Lt. Comdr. Cletus S. Sullivan (MC)
Lt. J. K. Wickstrom (MC)
Lt. (jg) Robert J. Byers (MC)
Ens. Louis O. Pfeiffer, jr. (SC)

64 Year Retirement, USN
Capt. Richard H. Johnston (SC)

Reveal Divisions in Italy

Reports from Allied Headquarters in Italy this week stated that the 3rd Division has distinguished itself in the fighting on the Anzio beachhead. This division, originally composed mainly of Pacific Coast troops, was in the first wave of attack on the beachhead.

Two other divisions, the 36th and the 34th, it was disclosed, have seen long periods of action on an older Italian battlefield.

The 36th, originally made up of the Texas National Guard, established the bridgehead across the Rapido River, 20-21 Jan. The 34th, originally constituted from the Iowa and Minnesota National Guard, pushed into Cassino 2 Feb. and has been there since with long periods of intense fighting.

Adm. Moreell Praises Train

Rear Adm. Ben Moreell, chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, who has recently returned from an inspection trip in the Pacific gives a large measure of credit for the recent victories in that area to auxiliary ships accompanying the task forces and to the Seabees who repaired the air strips under fire.

The auxiliary vessels are immediately at hand with ammunition and supplies for the task forces, supplying many items for which naval forces in action formerly had to rely on land bases. Near at hand also are floating drydocks, ready at all times to assist in the making of quick repairs to vessels of all types including even carriers and battleships.

Commands Boston Defenses

Brig. Gen. Philip S. Gage, Commanding General of the Harbor Defenses of New York since the beginning of 1941, has assumed command of the Harbor Defenses of Boston, in the Northeastern sector of the Eastern Defense Command, with headquarters at Fort Banks, Mass. The new assignment is a permanent change of station.

Jobs for Service Men

Holding that the Government, as an employer, should set an example for private industry in the preferential employment of former service men, President Roosevelt this week asked Congress to enact legislation relating to veterans' preference in Federal civil service.

Chairman May of the House Military Affairs Committee declared that it will be enacted and Senator Meade, New York, a member of the Senate Civil Service Committee said that legislation embodying the proposals would be considered shortly by the Senate.

House Minority Leader Martin stated that everyone fighting for their country is entitled to every possible consideration and that the Government must set a good example.

Letters were sent by the President, 26 Feb., to Harry B. Mitchell, president of the Civil Service Commission, to heads of Government agencies and to Chairman Ramspeck of the House Civil Service Committee, urging preference for employment of veterans.

In his letter to Chairman Ramspeck the President urged that the legislation should include the following four points:

"1. Authority should be granted, during the war and for a period of five years following the war, to restrict to veterans examinations for such positions as may, from time to time, be designated by the President. Those who are fighting for the life of the Nation today will, upon their return to civilian life, be in a position to make a unique contribution to the administration of government. We should be in a position to take full advantage of this fact."

"2. Where competition is not restricted solely to veterans, provision should be made for adding points to the earned ratings of veterans who compete for positions in the Federal civil service."

"3. The Civil Service Commission should be given the authority to determine whether or not the reasons advanced by appointing officers for passing over veterans on lists of eligibles are valid. Furthermore, appointing officers should be required to consider the commission's findings before filling vacancies. This will center in one agency the responsibility for determining whether or not a veteran is entitled to consideration for a particular job."

"4. Veterans should be accorded special consideration in connection with any reductions in total personnel which it may be necessary for Federal agencies to work out from time to time."

Cost of Pentagon

The total cost of the Pentagon Building, for which Congress appropriated only \$35,000,000, is approximately \$86,000,000, Representative Albert J. Engel, Republican, of Michigan, reported to the House 29 Feb.

Asserting that government funds had been juggled in a "wholesale flouting of the will of Congress," Mr. Engel said the additional money above that specifically appropriated was obtained, without warrant, from other funds appropriated by Congress, as follows: Special fund appropriated to "expedite production of equipment and supplies" \$24,747,500; special lump sum "furnished the chief of engineers for engineer service"—\$16,141,856; "moneys taken by Commissioner of Public Roads from access road funds"—\$10,640,000. Mr. Engel charged that the Department had given many conflicting reports in an effort to conceal the true costs.

Nominate Army Generals

President Roosevelt yesterday sent to the Senate the nominations of additional officers to the temporary ranks of lieutenant general, major general, and brigadier general, in the Army of the United States.

Included in the nominations are the names of Maj. Gen. Edmund B. Gregory, Quartermaster General, and Maj. Gen. Howard K. Loughry, Chief of Finance, both of whose terms are nearing completion and who would normally revert to their permanent grades of colonel. However, it is noted that they are not reappointed as chiefs of their respective branches, but as major generals in the Army of the United States. This is in accordance with the trend, discussed in previous issues of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL, of not filling the posts of chiefs of arms and services, thus deemphasizing the established branches.

Also included in the nominations is that of Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges to be a lieutenant general. General Hodges holds his present rank by virtue of his assignment as an Army commander, but the nomination saves his rank in event he is transferred to another assignment.

The new nominations follow:

To Be Lieutenant Generals
Courtney H. Hodges Raymond A. Wheeler
R. K. Sutherland John H. Lee
To Be Major Generals
Charles L. Mullins Howard K. Loughry
Paul R. Hawley James M. Bevens
Edmund B. Gregory Curtis E. Lemay
Junious W. Jones Robert B. McClure
Edmond H. Leavay Bennett E. Meyers
Hugh J. Knerr George C. Dunham
Charles C. Chauncey Roderick R. Allen
Leslie R. Groves Cecil R. Moore
Laurence S. Kuder George J. Richards
William M. Goodman Robert W. Harper
Howard A. Craig Daniel Note
David I. Barr Hugh J. Casey

To Be Brigadier Generals
Whitfield P. Shepard Fremont B. Hodson
Everett E. Brown S. Bayne-Jones
Joseph J. Twitty Barlett Beaman
Russell A. Wilson William H. Hobson
George C. McDonald Francis H. Griswold
Royal B. Lord Charles P. Cabell
Jesse Auton Edward M. Powers
Morris W. Gilland Thomas E. Roderick
Charles O. Thrasher Condon C. McCornack
Murray C. Woodbury Harry B. Vaughn
Ewart C. Plank Norris B. Harbold
Joseph F. Bateley Joseph P. Sullivan
Charles Y. Banfill Duncan G. Richards
Donald R. Goodrich Lewis A. Pick
Edward W. Anderson August W. Kissner
Clarence L. Burpee Emmett O'Donnell, jr.
Ray H. Clark Terence J. Tully
Theodore M. Osborne Aubrey L. Moore
Albert D. Smith Arthur J. McChrystal
Isaac W. Ott John F. Egan
Frank O. Bowman Robert D. Knapp
Arthur Thomas

Carrier Bennington Launched

The aircraft carrier Bennington, eleventh of the Essex Class since our entry into the war, was launched 26 Feb. at New York Navy Yard. The 27,000-ton vessel was floated off her keel blocks in dry dock instead of sliding down the ways in the conventional manner.

Honor Naval Officers

Among recipients of honorary degrees 27 Feb. at Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa., were Rear Adm. Wat T. Cluverius, former commandant of the Fourth Naval District, who received the degree of doctor of laws, and Comdr. Scott G. Lamb, director of training in the Fourth Naval District, who received the degree of doctor of letters.

The Soldier Vote Bill

The conference committee on the Soldiers' Voting Bill has been continuing its deliberations in an attempt to find common ground for simplifying voting procedure for members of the armed forces in the coming election. On Thursday the committee approached an agreement which is expected to be ratified on Monday for report early in the week.

It is evident that the compromise bill will include a provision that the simplified federal ballot will not be usable by members of the armed forces who are in the United States. Members who are outside the United States will be able to use the federal ballot if they take an oath that they applied for a regular State ballot and did not receive it by 1 October. It will then be the responsibility of the Governors of States that have no absentee ballot law to decide the legality of accepting a voted federal ballot, or to require their legislatures to decide the legality of the vote.

Another provision will probably be that the payment of a poll-tax will not be required from voters outside the United States.

Department of National Defense

Reports were again current this week that the Joint Chiefs of Staff have been studying for some time a consolidation of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard into one Department of National Defense. Most of the reports agree, however, that regardless of the outcome of the studies, no action would be taken until after the war.

Unification of defense agencies long has had many staunch advocates in Congress, particularly among the air proponents. However, every proposal along these lines has, in the past, met with vigorous opposition from both the War and Navy Departments. It will be recalled that a few months ago Senator McCarran asked President Roosevelt about the proposal to give even greater autonomy to the air elements, to which the President replied that no radical changes in organization would be made during the war.

Navy Nominations

The President yesterday sent to the Senate the nomination of Rear Adm. Louis E. Denfeld to be a rear admiral. Admiral Denfeld holds that rank by virtue of his assignment, but the nomination continues him as a rear admiral in event he should be transferred. Capt. Forrest B. Royal, USN, also was nominated to be a rear admiral.

Lt. Gen. in Marine Corps

President Roosevelt yesterday nominated Maj. Gen. Holland M. Smith, USMC, to be a lieutenant general.

Treatment of Arthritis

A center for the diagnosis and treatment of arthritis has been set up at the Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs National Park, Ark.

Take a load off your mind. Use Preventive Maintenance instead of heavy maintenance.

Service Tax Refunds

Special efforts will be made to expedite refunds due to members of the armed forces on their 1943 income tax returns, Harold N. Graves, Acting Commissioner of Internal Revenue, announced this week.

The law requires members of the armed forces stationed in this country to file income tax returns by 15 Mar. on about the same basis as civilians. However, under provisions of the Current Tax Payment Act of 1943 the majority of service returns will result in refunds rather than tax payments.

In order to make possible the desired prompt handling of these returns, Commissioner Graves urged members of the armed forces to send their 1943 returns as early as possible to the same internal revenue collection office in which the 1942 return was filed. He also urged each of them to attach to his 1943 return the statement (Form 1125), which he should have received from the collector, showing the amount of his 1942 tax and how much was paid on it.

Service personnel on sea duty or outside of the continental United States are not required to file returns or pay taxes until after they come back or after the war ends.

Special tax reminders for servicemen include:

1. The first \$1,500 of last year's active service pay is not taxable and should not be included in income. For instance, an officer whose base pay last year was \$2,000 would report only \$500.

2. If the serviceman's 1942 tax was larger than the tax on his 1943 income, he may recompute his 1942 tax under a special formula which may result in reducing the 1942 tax to the same amount as the tax on 1943 income. Advice on how to figure this recomputation may be obtained from any collector of internal revenue.

3. If a married serviceman has no taxable income, and his wife is filing a separate return, she may use all of their \$1,200 personal exemption by claiming that amount on Form 1040, or by checking block number 4 on the back of Form 1040A.

4. If a serviceman is abroad and his wife's own income is less than \$1,200 she may also postpone her return until he comes back.

5. Dependents of servicemen should not include in their income any amounts received as allotments or family allowances.

New Naval Officer Schools

Three new officer training schools, with a combined capacity of nearly 6,000 men, will open in the near future to accommodate graduates of the Navy V-12 Program as well as increased numbers of enlisted men from the fleet who are being given officer training.

The new schools are:

U. S. Naval Reserve Midshipmen School, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.; Commanding Officer, Capt. Burton W. Chippendale, USNR; to open 3 Mar. 1944, with a capacity of 800 students.

Naval Training School (Indoctrination), Camp Macdonough, Plattsburg, N. Y.; Commanding Officer, Comdr. Chauncey M. Louttit, USNR; to open 6 Mar. 1944, with a class of 2,000.

U. S. Naval V-12 Pre-Midshipmen School, Asbury Park, N. J.; Commanding Officer, Comdr. William F. Andreas, USNR; to open 6 Mar. 1944, with approximately 2,500 students.

Since the inception of the Reserve Midshipmen training program in 1940, 32,000 officers have received their commissions as Ensigns in the U. S. Naval Reserve after completing the rigid four months' training course. Many of the early graduates now hold the rank of lieutenant.

Did You Read—

the following important service stories last week:

List of lieutenant commanders, USNR, promoted to commander?

Army orders importance and prestige of noncommissioned officers to be emphasized?

Marine Corps abolishes advancement of privates on completion of boot training?

Army's policy on rotation of air crews?

Marines order major changes in uniform regulations?

If not you did not read the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL. You cannot obtain this information from any other source.

Weapons in Italy

The fact that the German Army in Italy is relatively close to its home territory, by a land route, while all our weapons must be transported over a long sea route, is operating to give the enemy an advantage in a larger number of higher calibre guns.

Commenting this week, in response to an inquiry by the Army and Navy Journal, on reports from Italy to the effect that the Americans are outgunned in both range and muzzle velocity by the enemy, Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, commanding general, Army Service Forces, pointed out that "The Nazi Army is fighting a defense engagement near home with no overseas supply lines to maintain. Therefore, it is a relatively simple matter for him to bring up large guns whereas we must transport our artillery from African bases. Most of our guns, therefore, are of smaller calibre than the enemy's. However, weapon for weapon, our ordnance is at least equal to if not superior to the ordnance of our enemy's."

"It is true," General Somervell told the Army and Navy Journal, "that the German 170 mm. field guns now in use against our Fifth Army outrange our 155 mm.'s by a margin of several thousand yards. The number of these large German guns is comparatively small at present on this front. We do have a new gun now available for use which will outshoot the German 170 not only in range but in the size of its shell. This is our new 8-inch (200 mm.) weapon."

As to reports that the enemy tanks are better armored than our own, General Somervell said: "It no doubt is true that the armor of certain models of German tanks is heavier than the armor of comparable American tanks. We must remember, however, in comparing the two weapons, that our enemy loses in maneuverability to the extent in which he increases his armor. As to the armament, I am convinced that our tanks are as heavily armed as the enemy's."

General Somervell pointed out a report on a German Home Service broadcast, picked up in this country, in which the Nazi Lt. Gen. Dittmar said, "It has been proved once again that superiority in numbers and material, which here, too (Italy), is on the side of our enemies, has not, under the circumstances, been able to prevail in the face of the German command and troops."

Another German broadcast in which the superiority of our weapons is mentioned was that from the German controlled Italian home service in which it was stated that "The numerical superiority of artillery of which the Allied command disposes is counter-balanced and in a certain way neutralized by the advantage possessed by the Germans."

Awards And Decorations

Medal of Honor

Lt. Col. A. E. Baker, AC, services participating in low-level bombardment of Ploesti oil refineries in Roumania, 1 Aug. 1943.

Distinguished Service Cross

Cpl. R. C. Chamberlain, USMC, services at Bataan and Corregidor.

Maj. E. C. D. Scherrer, Cav., services 13 days and nights in battle for New Georgia Islands.

Distinguished Service Medal

Rear Adm. F. C. Sherman, USN, Commander of Carrier Task Force against the enemy, New Britain Is., 5 Nov. 1943.

Maj. Gen. J. A. Crane, USA, Commanding General in artillery operations in the Sicilian and Italian Campaigns.

Col. W. E. Teale, CE, Office of Supply in the Southwest Pacific Area from 25 May 1942 to 30 Nov. 1943.

*Col. P. D. Bunker, CAC, position of great responsibility at Fort Mills, Corregidor, from 8 Dec. 1941 to 6 May 1942.

Navy Cross

Lt. W. F. Mitchell, USNR, CO of Naval vessel during invasion of Sicily.

Comdr. J. E. Kyes, USN, in submarine war patrol.

Lt. M. R. Brown, USNR, in submarine war patrol.

Capt. A. A. Burke, USN, as Commander of destroyer squadron in Solomon Islands area from 30 Oct. to 2 Nov. 1943.

Legion of Merit

*Col. J. G. Ayling, AAF, in the initial phases of Sicilian campaign.

Maj. W. F. Duncan, AAF, in Italian campaign.

1st Lt. D. P. White, AAF, for services from 1 March to 28 Aug. 1943.

The following members of AAF in the North African Theater of War were awarded the Legion of Merit: M. Sgts. W. C. Horne, C. Collins, J. R. Wainick, P. B. Lockwood, W. J. Armstrong, Melvin Caudill, R. E. Myers, R. W. Lang, Herman Fieldman, J. M. Karabinos, Albert Rangel, Charles Norton and J. B. Martin.

Lt. Col. J. C. Murray, Jr., USMC, planning

amphibious operations in the Solomon Islands.

*J. H. Jones, Sic, USNR, machine gunner in boat crew during assault on Sicily.

Comdr. R. H. Taylor, USN, Staff of Commander North Pacific Force from Jan. to Oct. 1943.

C. F. Eaton, PhMic, USN, submarine attack in Mediterranean Sea.

Comdr. J. W. Leverton, Jr., USN, Flag Secretary and Pub. Relations officer in North Pacific from Feb. to Oct. 1943.

Comdr. G. F. O'Keefe, USN, as Engineering and Material officer on staff of Commander North Pacific Force from Sept. 1942 to Oct. 1943.

Capt. N. J. White (MC) USN, as CO of Naval Hospital in advanced base in South Pacific Area, Aug. 1942 to Jan. 1943.

Comdr. W. T. Jenkins, USN, Gunnery Officer on Staff Commander N. Pacific Force from Feb. to Oct. 1943.

Silver Star

Lt. R. J. Cronin, ChC, USN, while serving with a Marine Raider Batt. landing on Solomon Islands, 1 Nov. 1943.

J. P. Snow, American Red Cross Field Dir., for rescuing soldiers from sea after bombing and caring for the wounded under fire.

Capt. H. M. Vines, FA, commander of Field Artillery in Italy.

Maj. C. I. Aspegren, AAF, action over Sicily.

2nd Lt. J. W. Padgett, Jr., AAF, action over Sicily.

T.Sgt. C. H. Miciak, AAF, action over Italy.

Capt. J. S. Litchfield, AAC, action over Yugoslavia.

T.Sgt. Leonard Wolf, AAF, action over Italy.

1st Lt. B. B. Burnstad, AAF, action over Italy.

Lt. Col. K. T. Barthelmess, AAC, action over Greece.

St.Sgt. J. M. Mahan, AAC, action over Sicily.

Maj. G. A. Rush, AAF, action over Italy.

2nd Lt. D. A. Neilson, AAF, action over Italy.

1st Lt. C. O. Seltz, AAF, action over Italy.

S.Sgt. G. O. McGuire, AAF, action over Italy.

1st Lt. W. L. Linkous, AAF, action over Italy.

1st Lt. R. A. Thiessen, AAF, action over Greece.

S.Sgt. G. R. Pilgrim, AAF, action over Italy.

1st Lt. E. G. Koehler, AAF, action over Sicily.

Maj. R. F. Elliott, AAF, action over Sicily.

*1st Lt. Robert Praun, AAF, action over Italy.

S.Sgt. J. J. Prochi, AAF, action over Italy.

Distinguished Flying Cross

Awards of nearly 200 Distinguished Flying Crosses, or DFC, to members of the USAAF for participating in medium bomber combat missions over coast of France, announced by War Department, 1 March.

Lt. (jg) J. C. Symmes, USNR, action over Solomons.

Ens. N. W. Hutchings, Jr., USNR, action over Solomons.

Lt. B. F. J. Albrecht, USNR, action over Solomons.

Lt. R. J. Clinton, USNR, action in S. Pacific.

Lt. (jg) K. W. D. Lee, USNR, operations in S. Pacific.

Lt. (jg) T. H. Moore, USNR, action over Solomons.

Lt. (jg) F. O. Burton, USNR, action over Solomons.

Lt. (jg) J. B. Haskett, USNR, action in Solomons.

Capt. J. V. Wiseman, AAF, Bronze OLC, action with 15th AAF.

FO O. E. Prevatt, Jr., AAF, action with 15th AAF.

2nd Lt. W. D. Pittman, AAF, action with 15th AAF.

2nd Lt. J. A. Brennan, AAF, action with 15th AAF.

2nd Lt. W. H. Packer, AAF, action with 15th AAF.

Capt. T. C. Rummelkamp, AAF, action with 15th AAF.

1st Lt. J. L. Schlener, AAF, action with 15th AAF.

1st Lt. C. J. McCann, AAF, action with 15th AAF.

1st Lt. J. W. Harbin, AAF, action with 15th AAF.

1st Lt. R. W. Kinnle, AAF, with 15th AAF.

Capt. L. R. Geier, AAF, services with 15th AAF.

Capt. W. M. Lott, AAF, services with 15th AAF.

Also the following for services with 15th Air Force: 1st Lt. E. G. Dove, FO S. D. Leininger, Col. H. E. Rice, Col. J. K. Brown, Col. Y. H. Taylor, Capt. H. L. Chrismon, Capt. W. D. Frymire, Maj. J. N. Simmons, 2nd Lt. R. P. Zirkle, 1st Lt. Charles Guess, 2nd Lt. B. L. Slattery, and *1st Lt. R. C. DeBabey.

Air Medal

Awards of more than 800 Air Medals, or OLC to AM, to members of the USAAF for participating in medium bomber combat missions over coast of France, announced by War Department, 1 March.

Lt. R. W. Stone, USN, Dive Bomber Pilot over Solomons, 26 April to 26 July, 1943.

Lt. (jg) K. S. Bortz, USNR, Dive Bomber Pilot over Solomons 26 April to 26 July, 1943.

Lt. (jg) W. A. Wright, USNR, Dive Bomber Pilot over Solomons 26 April to 26 July, 1943.

Soldiers' Medal

The following members of the 15th Army Air Force were awarded the Soldiers' Medal as announced by the War Department 1 March: Capt. Samuel Y. Brown, S.Sgt. K. C. Walton, 1st Sgt. Oliver Keyes, Sgt. M. E. Pelletire, 2nd Lt. R. F. Chancellor, T.Sgt. H. J. Horvath, *Capt. G. G. Griswold, T.Sgt. S. B. Conine.

*Posthumously awarded.

*Missing in action.

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Army Promotions

The following temporary promotions in the Army of the United States have been announced by the War Department:

Lt. Colonel to Colonel

D. E. Farr, AUS
G. F. Brown, FA
T. G. Bowen, AUS
F. M. Coates, AC
M. R. Scharff, AUS
E. H. Marsden, CE
J. F. McMannon, AUS
W. W. Wise, AC
L. S. Faust, MC
L. S. Urwiller, CE
L. C. Barnes, QMC
W. L. Krigbaum, II, Inf.

Major to Lt. Colonel

J. C. Frink, QMC
P. W. Harrington, GSC
W. B. Harding, AUS
G. A. Kernwein, MC
J. M. Delaney, AUS
M. D. Snider, Cav.
C. D. Seftenberg, AUS
L. K. Homan, FD
G. A. Rust, AUS
R. W. Sanford, AC
E. G. Littell, AUS
H. L. Smith, QMC
W. N. Talles, QMC
H. C. Sullivan, OD
C. J. Hendricks, Inf.
L. D. McDaniel, MAC
T. H. Sternberg, MC
C. L. Vaner, QMC
N. H. Stoner, VC
A. D. Kelso, OD
P. B. Driver, Jr., QMC
E. L. Rehmann, TC
M. K. Pierce, CMP
K. P. H. Townsend, AC

W. L. Clark, AC
C. B. McGeehe, AUS
E. L. Jenkins, AC
J. B. Gillespie, AC
J. W. Lucas, CE
W. W. Suckow, Inf.
C. H. Lewis, AC
W. A. Bowie, AC
F. C. Silvey, OD
V. Welmar, QMC
D. S. Kaplinger, QMC
G. W. Gardiner, QMC
J. M. Hansman, IGD
J. R. Dalry, MC
T. E. Huber, MC
M. D. Voorhees, OD
R. C. Haynie, AC
G. G. Shor, AUS
J. C. Murphy, FD
A. M. Gallagher, OD
W. S. Evans, AC
H. Blandhorn, AUS
D. E. Herbst, AGD
W. W. Beasley, Jr., AC

E. M. Huntington, AC
K. H. Hess, AC
H. J. Webb, Inf.
K. D. Messerschmitt, AC
J. P. Goode, AC
E. J. Stewart, FD
J. A. Meek, CE
G. W. Mallory, MAC
R. O. Waller, Sig C
F. M. Baldwin, CE
M. B. Skinner, AC
M. Ladd, JAGD
C. D. Blair, QMC
G. M. Hannah, AC
D. J. McKenna, JAGD
W. E. Browning, AC
H. M. Nelson, FD
D. Fesler, AGD
W. N. Hudson, CE
R. E. Condon, GSC
T. R. Archibald, CE
A. P. Horst, AC
R. A. Morehouse, AC
P. M. Brewer, CE
C. G. Martz, AC
P. L. Smith, AC
W. P. Cornelius, CE
J. C. Dorbandt, JAGD
W. J. New, CE
R. B. Segar, AC
V. C. Donati, CE
F. M. Lash, AC
R. W. Owen, AC
G. K. Mayhew, OD
J. F. McDowell, MC
S. L. Stewart, Cav.
H. E. Hedger, CE
R. W. King, FA
W. J. Corr, OD
B. C. Tessley, Jr., MC
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L. W. Kehe, CE
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S. B. Hunt, CE
F. W. Cropp, Jr., Ch.
T. A. Beaudry, IGD
J. C. Cunningham, CE
C. Jensen, Inf.
H. G. Lang, FA
W. R. Goodall, Jr., CE
E. Wright, FA
W. S. Bodner, Inf.
H. H. Kimball, AGD
J. C. Charlesworth, AGD
W. A. Warner, QMC
H. B. Pemberton, AUS
F. F. Osterhout, MC
L. Griffin, Jr., Inf.
C. H. Young, AC
G. G. Wolfe, AGD
E. R. Purvis, Inf.
R. E. Pomeroy, AUS
P. M. Baumgartner, FA

R. R. Castle, CE
A. R. Strigel, AUS

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The Journal Salutes

This week the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL salutes:

Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, USMC, awarded the DSM for his services as commanding general, 1st Marine Amphibious Corps, at Bougainville.

Col. George Mayo, CE, assigned as Air Engineer, Army Air Forces.

Capt. J. P. Womble, Jr., USN, awarded honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by Ursinus College.

Eastern Defense Command

A streamlining of the Army's defenses along the Atlantic Coast, effective 1 Mar. has been announced by Lt. Gen. George Grunert, commanding general of the Eastern Defense Command, with headquarters at Governor's Island, N. Y.

General Grunert's order establishes two Sector Headquarters to supervise Army coastal operations in place of the four Sector Headquarters which existed previously. The two new sectors will be the Northeastern, to be commanded by Maj. Gen. Kenneth T. Blood, with headquarters at 150 Causeway Street, Boston, Mass., and the Southeastern, to be commanded by Maj. Gen. John L. Homer, with headquarters in the Raleigh Building, Raleigh, N. C. The Northeastern Sector comprises New England and eastern Long Island, and the Southeastern comprises the remainder of the Seaboard.

Army Air Forces Aid Society

At the second annual meeting of members of the Army Air Forces Aid Society held recently in the offices of the corporation at 1818 H Street, NW., Washington D. C., the following persons were elected to the Board of Managers.

Gen. H. H. Arnold	Brig. Gen. B. E. Meyers
Mrs. H. H. Arnold	Mr. Floyd B. Odum
Brig. Gen. James M. Bevens	Capt. E. V. Rickenbacker
Hon. J. M. Costello	Brig. Gen. Cyrus R. Smith
Mrs. H. C. Davidson	Mr. T. J. Watson
Mrs. J. E. Doolittle	Mr. C. E. Wilson
Mr. R. V. Fleming	Mr. C. E. Wilson
Maj. Gen. B. M. Giles	Mr. C. E. Wilson
Mr. Robert A. Lovett	

Honor Air Doctor

At a recent Awards Dinner at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City, Brig. Gen. Eugen G. Reinartz, USA, Commandant of the Army Air Forces School of Aviation Medicine, Randolph Field, Texas, was presented with the John Jeffries Award for 1943. This honor is awarded by the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences "for outstanding contribution to the advancement of aeronautics through medical research." The award was presented by Major Gen. David N. W. Grant, USA, Air Surgeon of the Army Air Forces.

The John Jeffries Award honors the memory of the American physician who with Blanchard, the first balloonist, made the first aerial voyage across the English Channel in 1785.

Marker For Combat Hospitals

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Ground Units Reassigned

The Tank Destroyer Center, Camp Hood, Texas, comprising Headquarters and Headquarters Company of the Tank Destroyer Center, the Tank Destroyer School and Tank Destroyer Replacement Training Center have been assigned to the Replacement and School Command.

Redesignation of the Airborne Command as the Airborne Center also has been announced. Airborne activities will continue to be centered at Camp Mackall, N. C., but airborne troops will be placed under the XIII Corps for administration and supply. The principal function of the Airborne Center will be to conduct airborne training for all airborne units.

Lt. Gen. Leslie J. McNair, commanding general of the AGF, announced that in the future airborne units will be assigned to armies and corps in order to facilitate administration and supply.

The Parachute School at Fort Benning, Ga., will now be placed under the Replacement and School command.

As reported in the Army and Navy Journal last week, the Armored Command has been redesignated the Armored Center. In announcing the fact this week AGF Headquarters stated that the Armored Medical Research Laboratory also will operate directly under Headquarters, AGF.

Aviation Cadet Applications

Enlisted men assigned to the Army Ground, Air and Service Forces may apply and qualify for aviation cadet ground crew training in any of the courses open for such training, the War Department has made clear.

The department stated that this is in accordance with the general policy of permitting enlisted men to apply for training in courses which lead to a commissioned status.

Trainees who do not qualify for commissions will be disposed of in a manner similar to the disposition made of unsuccessful air crew trainees.

Army Daughters' Scholarships

The Society of the Daughters of the United States Army offers a scholarship for the daughters of officers who are deceased, retired, or Prisoners of War.

The courses offered are for Business School, Domestic Science, Laboratory Technique, etc. Competitive Essays are required from Candidates.

The Society hopes that there are some Army girls who will take advantage of this opportunity. Address inquiries to: Mrs. Abram Claude, Scholarship Chairman, 3508 Rodman Street, NW, Washington 8, D. C.

Army Identification Cards

The War Department has ordered the preparation and processing of new identification cards intended to provide greater security, uniformity of identification and protection to personnel in the event of capture.

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Army Casualties and Prisoners

The War Department this week announced the names of 410 officers and enlisted men killed in action, 885 wounded in action, 1,083 missing in action and 240 who are held as prisoners of war by Germany.

The officers and upper three grades of enlisted personnel included in the lists of those killed are as follows:

KILLED IN ASIATIC AREA

Officer Personnel
Capt. C. L. Waugh
Capt. J. L. Porter
Maj. R. L. Dewsnup

Enlisted Personnel
S.Sgt. H. D. Tucker
T.Sgt. S. W. Carhart, jr.
S.Sgt. W. R. Oswalt

KILLED IN CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

Officer Personnel
1st Lt. R. C. Crume
2nd Lt. M. R. Sunday
Capt. S. C. Andersen
2nd Lt. R. G. Heun
2nd Lt. J. R. Allen
2nd Lt. F. W. Klotz
2nd Lt. C. D. Melquist

Enlisted Personnel
S.Sgt. K. L. Lefors
Pvt. R. B. Trujillo
S.Sgt. S. A. Smith
S.Sgt. L. J. Malone
S.Sgt. W. A. Fenno
S.Sgt. J. M. Furey
S.Sgt. B. M. Benner

KILLED IN EUROPEAN AREA

Officer Personnel
Capt. D. C. Cole
2nd Lt. E. M. Lange
2nd Lt. E. H. Cole
2nd Lt. D. L. Turner
2nd Lt. R. H. Seogang, jr.
2nd Lt. H. Zlotnik
2nd Lt. W. B. Brinkley
2nd Lt. L. A. Doan
FO W. H. Morris
2nd Lt. W. R. Parks
1st Lt. J. H. Roach
2nd Lt. M. S. Friedman
2nd Lt. J. A. Harper
Maj. C. T. Gray
2nd Lt. C. E. Floyd
2nd Lt. J. W. Toth
2nd Lt. D. F. Lembecke
2nd Lt. C. Silverman
2nd Lt. W. F. Bowles
2nd Lt. R. E. Peterson
2nd Lt. S. Domladov, jr.
2nd Lt. H. R. Pohl
2nd Lt. F. M. Holland
1st Lt. R. A. Gerth
1st Lt. W. F. Usry, jr.
1st Lt. C. O. Baer
1st Lt. R. D. Snyder

Enlisted Personnel
S.Sgt. H. G. White
S.Sgt. J. E. Melton
T.Sgt. R. A. Shupe
T.Sgt. C. E. Smith
T.Sgt. J. A. Makowski
S.Sgt. H. M. Howard
S.Sgt. A. V. Keller
S.Sgt. M. L. Blaney
S.Sgt. F. H. Folkner
S.Sgt. J. T. Hamratty
S.Sgt. P. Hildebrand
S.Sgt. R. J. Scholer
S.Sgt. D. G. Troxel, jr.
S.Sgt. W. Sondag
S.Sgt. C. H. Parizo
S.Sgt. J. V. King
T.Sgt. F. A. Sullivan
S.Sgt. I. D. Matta
T.Sgt. R. E. Howard
T.Sgt. L. Goodman
S.Sgt. R. A. Wright
S.Sgt. W. Derdzinski
S.Sgt. J. C. Silvani
S.Sgt. M. E. Snyder
T.Sgt. W. K. Albee
S.Sgt. J. J. Kelleher
S.Sgt. W. A. Monson
S.Sgt. L. R. Weaver
T.Sgt. H. C. Patterson, jr.
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S.Sgt. S. K. Moore
S.Sgt. J. R. Sawicki
T.Sgt. V. R. Schunelle

KILLED IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA

Officer Personnel
2nd Lt. F. O. Rooks
2nd Lt. E. J. Babin
1st Lt. H. M. Armbruster
1st Lt. Carl R. Hood
2nd Lt. A. F. Dippolito
2nd Lt. G. E. Terry
1st Lt. J. C. Campbell
1st Lt. W. M. Rascoe

Enlisted Personnel
S.Sgt. F. Horner
S.Sgt. L. A. Wilson
S.Sgt. F. Trotter
T.Sgt. J. L. Hisky
S.Sgt. C. G. Buntin
S.Sgt. E. J. Isham
S.Sgt. C. M. Lannigan
S.Sgt. D. E. Monroe

KILLED IN SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

Officer Personnel
Col. G. A. Hadsell
KILLED IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA
1st Lt. W. R. Pritchard
2nd Lt. J. E. Sturgeon
Maj. O. L. Bowen, jr.

Enlisted Personnel
S.Sgt. V. L. McMullen
S.Sgt. D. C. Miller
T.Sgt. M. H. Soloski

Officers included in the groups of wounded, missing and prisoners are as follows:

WOUNDED IN ASIATIC AREA

Officer Personnel
1st Lt. F. C. Kelsh
WOUNDED IN CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA
2nd Lt. C. Provost, jr.
2nd Lt. A. A. Doyle
1st Lt. D. N. Trucker
1st Lt. J. W. Wolfe
2nd Lt. J. E. Clay, jr.
2nd Lt. J. H. Campbell, jr.
Capt. P. B. Gritta
Capt. J. B. Hewette
Capt. E. J. Reed, jr.
1st Lt. K. C. Heise
1st Lt. W. A. Boeder

WOUNDED IN EUROPEAN AREA
1st Lt. J. N. Taylor
2nd Lt. K. H. Kassel
2nd Lt. J. B. Evans
2nd Lt. R. R. Stout
2nd Lt. R. M. Dolf
2nd Lt. P. A. Levy

WOUNDED IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA
1st Lt. J. P. Mize
2nd Lt. F. A. Fitzgerald
1st Lt. C. A. McClaugherly, jr.
Capt. C. B. Wooten
1st Lt. F. J. Hanlon, jr.
1st Lt. R. J. Teyssier
2nd Lt. F. C. Pottschmidt
1st Lt. H. W. Young
2nd Lt. R. A. Vignea
1st Lt. N. A. Melzer
1st Lt. M. J. Tully
2nd Lt. L. A. Boore, jr.

WOUNDED IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA
2nd Lt. J. K. Birchfield
2nd Lt. H. C. Hattel
1st Lt. C. A. Pendleton
1st Lt. J. E. Warner
2nd Lt. G. L. White, jr.
1st Lt. N. O. Hodges
Maj. L. P. Manbeck
1st Lt. G. W. Lee
2nd Lt. K. L. Stoltz
1st Lt. C. H. Parkhurst
1st Lt. D. C. MacDonald
2nd Lt. O. R. Bates

MISSING IN ASIATIC AREA
2d Lt. B. X. Slankowski
1st Lt. J. D. Feldman
2nd Lt. H. M. Walth
1st Lt. T. T. Johnson
Capt. K. E. George
1st Lt. D. E. Whitmer
2nd Lt. J. E. Bush
1st Lt. H. M. Kirkland
2nd Lt. L. Korotkin
2nd Lt. C. R. Koch

MISSING IN CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA
1st Lt. C. E. Hopkins, jr.
2nd Lt. C. A. Gross, jr.
2nd Lt. J. N. Hood, jr.
2nd Lt. C. H. Perry
2nd Lt. F. J. Washburn
Capt. H. L. Black
2nd Lt. G. M. Bourdon
2nd Lt. H. H. Manton

MISSING IN EUROPEAN AREA
Capt. R. L. Priser
1st Lt. R. T. Bond
2nd Lt. R. S. Flynn
2nd Lt. J. C. Hart
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Sea Service Nominations

Nominations of one naval officer for temporary promotion to commodore, of two Marine officers for temporary promotion to major general and of 10 officers for appointment as second lieutenants in the regular Marine Corps were confirmed by the Senate late last week.

Confirmed as temporary commodore, while serving as commander of Service Squadron Eight, was Capt. Augustine H. Gray, USN.

Confirmed as temporary major generals were Brig. Gens. James T. Moore and Francis P. Mulcahy.

Confirmed as second lieutenants, U. S. Marine Corps, were:

Lonnie D. McCurry	Jas. F. Mayenschein
William C. Doty, Jr.	Otis R. Waldrop
Roy H. Elrod	Nicholas M. Seminoff
Billie S. Adams	Robert J. Craig
Edwin G. Middleton	Arthur W. Ecklund

Sec. Knox's Book

Dodd, Mead and Company have announced the publication in late spring or early summer of a book by Secretary of the Navy Knox to be entitled "Our Navy and Our Future, The Tradition of Victory." Material for the book will be drawn mainly from speeches, articles and conference records of the Secretary's which have been compiled and edited under the Secretary's supervision by Critchell Rimginton.

Throughout the book the Secretary's personal estimate of the philosophy of a nation at war will be set side by side with a factual account written by Mr. Rimginton of many of the major events preceding and following the entry of the United States into World War II. All royalties received from the sale of the book will be devoted to the Navy Relief Society.

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Marine Corps Assignments

The following changes in assignment of Marine officers have been announced by Marine Corps Headquarters:

Brig. Gen. Lytle H. Miller transferred from overseas to Washington, D. C.
Col. Bernard Dubel, from Headquarters, to Klamath Falls, Ore.
Col. Franklin G. Cowie, from overseas, to the West Coast.

Col. James L. Denham, from Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va., to overseas.
Col. Joe A. Smonk, from West Coast, to Washington, D. C.
Col. Verne J. McCaul, from Headquarters, to West Coast.

Lt. Col. Thomas C. Perrin, from Washington, D. C., to Quantico.
Lt. Manly L. Curry, to San Diego, from duty overseas.

Lt. Col. Robert B. Bell, from West Coast to New River, N. C.
Capt. Wiss M. Martin, from overseas, to Division of Public Relations, Washington, D. C.

2nd Lt. Edward J. Burman, from Marine Division of Public Relations, Washington, D. C., to Office of Public Relations, Navy Department.

Open Red Cross Campaign

Secretary of the Navy Knox and Lt. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, commandant of the Marine Corps, were the principal speakers, 1 Mar., at the opening rally of the Red Cross campaign in Washington, D. C. Mr. Knox said:

"As you know, I have visited most of the theaters of war. Everywhere I went I always saw that familiar red cross on a field of white and recognized it as an emblem of mercy and healing. That cross is as significant on an ambulance or hospital ship as it is on the arm of a pharmacist's mate or on a package of surgical goods. Think of the wounded, speak to them as I have, and find out what that cross means to them. Keep thinking of them during this month."

Said General Vandegrift:
"On Bougainville, Red Cross field tents were set up just a few days after Marines had secured the first beachhead. Bougainville turned out to be an especially gloomy and dismal jungle, and the Red Cross tents worked wonders in maintaining the spirits of men who came back out of the jungle for treatment of wounds or for a brief rest after several days and nights of relentless fighting."

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*Comdr. S. J. Lawrence

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U. S. Navy

Comdr. J. G. Tennent, III

U. S. Naval Reserve

*Ens. C. I. Briggs

Ens. T. A. Hall

Lt. (jg) T. M. Vaughn

*Lt. (jg) T. P. Ridley

Lt. J. W. McFall

Lt. (jg) R. R. Kyser

Lt. S. K. Turner, jr.

U. S. Marine Corps

1st Lt. J. H. Wilbanks

U. S. Marine Corps Reserve

1st Lt. E. F. Griffith

Capt. H. K. Goodman

ENLISTED PERSONNEL

U. S. Navy

AR3c E. E. Sowers

AMM2c E. S. Kay

CBM E. P. Himel

PhM1c R. J. Gilliland

AM3c C. B. Cook

AMM3c H. O. Wilcher

AMM3c E. G. Shanklin

AO1c E. F. Keller

ARM G. C. Driesbach

Sic L. A. Link

ARM3c T. E. Geho

GM3c C. J. Gilbride

AMM H. H. Shaw

CCSt E. F. Parrish

Bk2c J. F. Schultz, jr.

S2c N. L. McDowell

RM3c A. M. Davidson

S2c C. E. McDaniel

Sic L. J. McCluskey

QM3c J. W. Garnett

xPhM3c Marion Moore

RadM3c J. J. Weiss

MMM C. W. Seavey

Sic J. W. Strukel

Sic S. E. Doctor

AMM2c W. W. Witherell

Sic E. M. Harbutovskiy

U. S. Marine Corps

Pfc W. R. Frazer

Cpl H. D. Hardcastle

Pfc J. J. Klika

Cpl W. T. Phillips

Pvt J. H. Cunningham

Pvt Edward Kemeys

GySgt L. O. Riley

Pvt S. O. Langworthy

Pvt L. S. Nolascio

Pfc R. B. Anderson

Pvt D. B. Kellenberger

Pvt D. R. Olin

Cpl J. G. Janudnes

Pvt H. H. Denham

Pfc B. J. M. Geraghty

Pfc J. D. Haaren

Cpl W. D. Isbell

Cpl L. C. Myers

Pvt W. D. Neujahr

Pvt F. A. Wappel

Pvt J. C. Kobay

Sgt A. L. Thompson

Pvt Chester Pauley

Pvt P. R. Wreede

Pfc J. A. O'Grady

Pfc B. G. Fox

U. S. Marine Corps Reserve

Sgt V. N. Kantz

Sgt A. J. Monico

Pfc Andrew Covell

*Pvt D. C. Lazzari

*Pfc E. R. Paulauski

Pvt E. Y. Hanley

Pvt M. E. Tefft

Sgt R. J. Watson

Pfc K. W. Nappier

Pfc D. L. Ognian

*Pvt Stanley Zalut

Sgt J. P. Roop

Sgt O. E. Pitts

Pfc A. Shanou

Pvt H. H. Urban

PlSgt C. R. Polakowski

Sgt M. N. Owens

Sgt W. G. Reynolds

Pfc Frank Fawthrop

Pfc Milton Broadbent

Cpl W. F. Langdon

Cpl F. M. Gill

Cpl Ray Davis

Sgt J. P. McGrall

xPfc P. J. Daniels, jr.

Cpl W. M. Nickens

Cpl J. E. Blanton

Sgt W. A. Allen

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Pfc Guy Clapper, jr.
Pfc H. G. Harden
PlSgt H. W. Rush
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Pvt A. E. Kennedy

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Pvt C. J. Ringer

Cpl F. B. Penninger

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Pvt T. H. Dillon

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Pvt M. W. Grantham

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Pvt T. L. Barkley

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Pvt J. A. Smith

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U. S. Marine Corps

Capt. P. T. Torian

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1st Lt. P. J. Holcombe

1st Lt. V. H. Miller

U. S. Coast Guard

Lt. (jg) J. F. Weaver

Ens. C. H. Graff

MISSING

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Lt. B. W. Strong

Lt. (jg) J. W. Booker

U. S. Naval Reserve

Lt. (jg) L. A. Shreiner

Lt. (jg) R. W. Neel

Ens. H. E. Kendall

Ens. P. O. Wood

U. S. Marine Corps Reserve

1st Lt. H. H. Millar

1st Lt. J. E. Henaberg, jr.

Lt. Sabini Decorated

1st Lt. John A. Sabini, USMCR, son of Col. and Mrs. Dominic J. Sabini, USA, has been awarded the Silver Star Medal for services at Bougainville Island.

The temporary citation, signed by Adm. W. F. Halsey, USN, reads:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action against Japanese forces as a member of a Marine raiding battalion during an attack along the Numa Numa-Piva trail, Bougainville Island, British Solomon Islands on 9 Nov. 1943. Lieutenant Sabini led a platoon which, during the assault, became immobilized by enemy fire from well concealed positions. Finding it impossible to determine the sources from which fire was delivered, he rose from cover and ran back and forth in the rear of his own position, shouting at the Japanese

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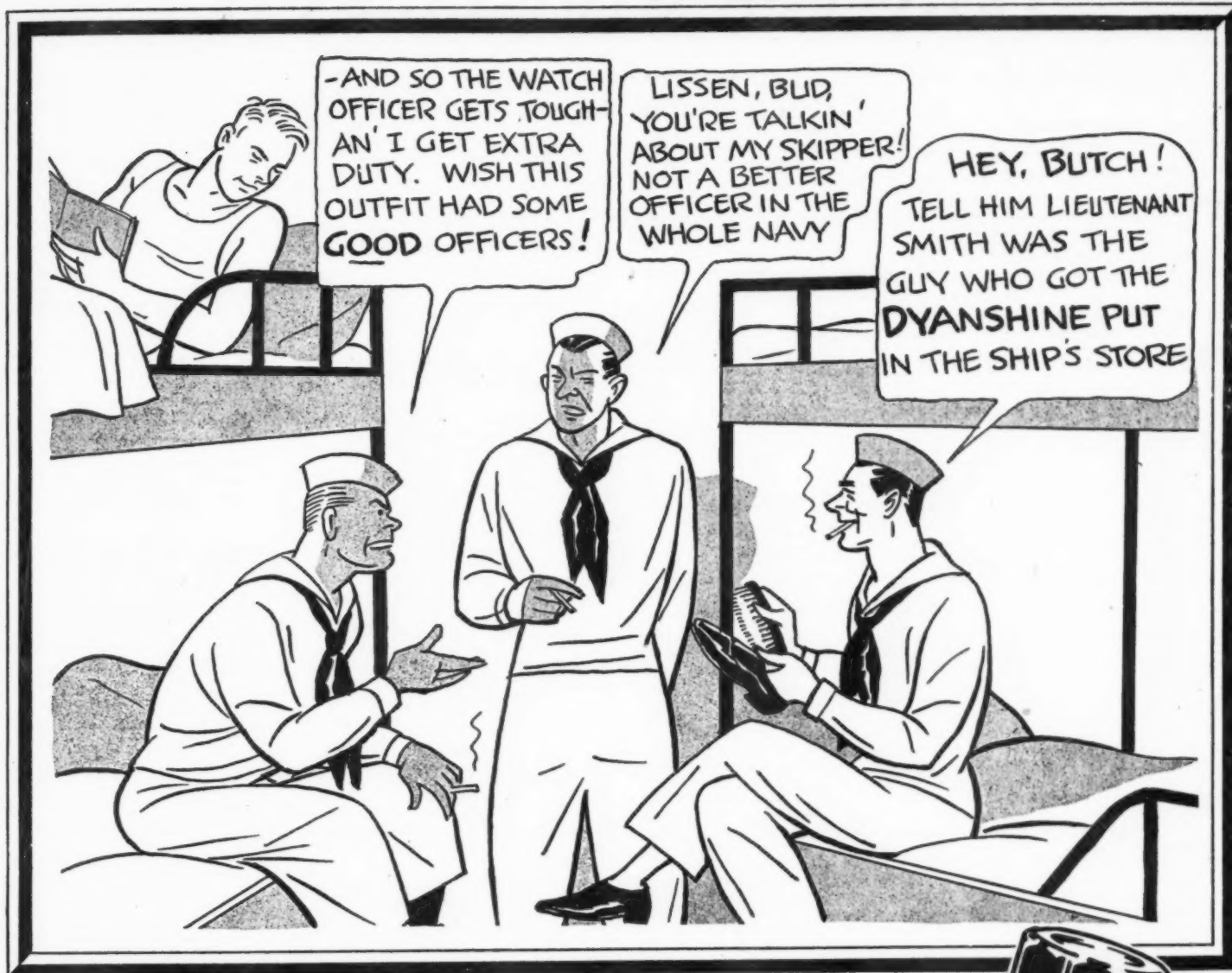
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"Techniques in the employment of the combined arms of modern warfare have been developed by the Allies to a degree of precision not previously achieved by any combination of powers."—GENERAL SIR HAROLD R. L. G. ALEXANDER.

OUR PRIORITY LIST

1. Victory.
2. Assurance now that personnel and equipment for our land, sea, and air forces will be maintained after the present war at such strength as the responsible heads of those Services determine necessary to assure this nation against future aggressors.
3. Protection of Service personnel, active and retired, against undue reductions in their pay through imposition of the Victory tax and income taxes.
4. Institution of studies looking toward the protection and development of just post-war systems of promotion for personnel of the permanent establishments.
5. Strengthening of the post war status of the National Guard and Reserves to assure their efficiency and permanency with continuance of full training facilities after the war.
6. Upward revision of pension scales to assure Service widows a living income.
7. Compensation for service personnel who use privately owned automobiles on government business.

DURING the discussion in the House Naval Committee on the bill creating two Admirals of the Navy, the rank conferred only once in our history and then upon Admiral Dewey for battle achievement, it was revealed that the Secretary of War and the Chief of Staff of the Army had apprised members of Congress of their strong opposition to the companion bill authorizing the appointment of two additional Generals of the Armies of the United States. This attitude on the part of Colonel Stimson and General Marshall is said to be based on a number of sound objectives. They include their unwillingness to dim the reward given to General Pershing by the unanimous direction of the American people for his brilliant organization and command of the American Expeditionary Force in compelling German surrender in 1918, their realization that the highest grade in the Army within the gift of the Republic should be held by only one officer at a time in accordance with American tradition and to prevent the absurdity of several Generals of the Armies, and their understanding of the importance of keeping the grade open until after peace shall have come when the people can determine what leaders preeminently deserve recognition. It is obvious that the objections attributed to these Army officials apply with equal force to the Admirals of the Navy bill. In the case of that measure, it is just as evident that the highest rank should be held by only one instead of two officers, that it should be reserved for award by the people represented by Congress after hostilities cease, and that it should be retained until that time as a splendid prospect for the commander who conspicuously had displayed the quality of battle leadership. The determination to induce the House Naval Committee to report the Navy measure and to press it to passage through the House, was reached not only for the benefit of the officers already selected for this highest reward, but to force the House Military Committee to act favorably upon the General of the Armies bill. It was realized that Congress would not give the highest rank to naval officers without granting equal rank to officers of the Army. Therefore, Mr. Vinson, the influential chairman of the House Naval Committee, has been industriously seeking support for the latter measure. Throughout Congress, however, there is a growing sentiment, also expressed by a rising number of daily newspapers, against enactments which would result in the making of appointments now that were better left until after the war shall have ended. As this is said to be the deliberate judgment of Secretary Stimson and General Marshall, it would seem that the House would be in accord with public sentiment should it return the Navy bill to the Naval Committee, or at least leave it to die upon the Union calendar. The House Military Affairs is withholding action on the Generals of the Army bill, because the rank is now held by General Pershing, and because of the other objections purported to have been offered by the high officials of the Army. There are many members of the House not serving on this and the Naval Committee who will vote against the bills. As this would constitute a reflection upon the able officers concerned, we hope the legislation will be abandoned.

THE boldness our Commanders are showing in the Pacific is responsible for the important advances we are making within the circle of Japan's defenses. Admiral Nimitz displayed it when immediately following his successes in the Marshalls, he moved to occupy Eniwetok Island, bombed Truk and sent a task force to attack the Mariana Islands. With equal boldness, General MacArthur is operating in Southwest Pacific. His seizure of Los Negros of the Admiralty Islands, with its airfield, is a classic example of Generalship combining audacity with professional skill. With Vice Admiral T. C. Kinkaid cooperating, he turned a reconnaissance in force into an offensive, which gained immediate advantages. The result of this brilliant action, with a small force, has been to put into Allied hands the last watchtower and bastion controlling the entrances to the Bismarck sea. Greene Island, dominating the southeastern approaches, and Rooke Island in the Vitiaz strait, guarding the southwestern entrances, already have been seized by General MacArthur's naval forces. With the additional possession of a base in the Admiralty Islands, his forces now control all the approaches to the Jap strongholds at Wewak and Madang on New Guinea and the fine harbor and potentially valuable naval base at Rabaul. In addition to these important considerations, General MacArthur's seizure of Los Negros has given our forces a base only 610 miles from Truk and has advanced our outposts another step nearer the Philippine Islands.

Back of the boldness of General MacArthur's stroke was the careful planning that contributes to military success. While the elements of the famous First Cavalry Division (which made the actual landing at Los Negros) were being taken through the Vitiaz Strait and across the Bismarck Sea, Allied air components were striking hard at Jap air fields in the South and Southwest Pacific, not only inflicting damage upon them, but also keeping them too busy to seek and attack our transports en route to Los Negros. Thus protected, the First Cavalry Division, commanded by Maj. Gen. Eganis Palmer Swift, USA, and its component, First, Seventh, and Eighth Cavalry Regiments, reached Los Negros safely and valiantly performed their work of putting the Jap defenders to rout.

Service Humor

Had the Rank
At an Australian coastal city, two youngsters of about 12 paddled their canvas canoe up to an anchored troopship and asked the gold braided officer leaning over the rail for permission to come aboard. "No," was the answer, but the boys persisted until the officer finally lost his temper. "Get out of here," he shouted, "you can't come aboard, so clear off." "Are you the Captain of this ship?" asked the youngster in the stern of the canoe. "No," replied the officer, "but I'm the fourth officer." "Then," said the young Australian, "you'd better learn to be more respectful to your superior officers—I'm the Captain of this one."

King's Pointer.

The ward was full of ailing men,
The air was full of groaning,
The doctor entered full of fun:
"Good moaning, men—good moaning!"
—*Sixes Falls Polar Tech.*

Too Late

A man who had just been commissioned as a second lieutenant received a wire from the medical examining board several days later: "Regret to inform you that tests show you have heart trouble and tuberculosis." An hour later he got another telegram: "Please disregard last wire, your record confused with that of another candidate."

The relieved loopy wired back, "Sorry, but I committed suicide forty minutes ago."

—Range-finder.

Help!

"Daddy, may I ask you a question?"
"Yes, son, but it must be a short one."
"If a doctor is doctoring a doctor does the doctor doing the doctoring have to doctor the doctor the way the doctor being doctoring wants to be doctoring or does the doctor doctoring the doctor doctor the doctor the way he usually doctors?"
—*King's Pointer.*

Three's A Crowd

A sergeant, ever-mindful of the censor, stopped in the middle of a letter to his wife to interpolate: "Lieutenant Leslie, this is my wife. Honey, this is Lieutenant Leslie, the censor."

Then he started a new sentence, and as an afterthought added: "Crowded here, isn't it honey?"

—Broadcaster.

Old Army Game

A story of a "problem" private who became an infantry Paul Bunyan after being disciplined by his division commander comes without confirmation from the Mediterranean theater.

The soldier was sloppy, insubordinate and undependable. Finally he was brought before the general who detailed him to several weeks of latrine-digging and other distasteful chores.

When the division next went into combat, the story goes, he slew literally scores of Germans, captured a number of others and was cited for the Silver Star. The medal was presented by the same general who had disciplined him.

"The next time I see you," the general winked, "I want to see some stripes on your sleeve."

Whereupon the soldier turned to his company commander and remarked: "You heard what he said, didn't yuh?"

—Range-finder.

ASK THE JOURNAL

SEND your queries to the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL QUESTION EDITOR and an answer will be given in this column as soon as possible after receipt.

J.J.C.—The Servicemen's Education Act was reported by the Senate Committee on Education and Labor. It has not yet been acted on by either the Senate or House.

L.E.S.—Lt. Gen. Patton is a permanent colonel, Cavalry; Lt. Gen. Clark is a permanent lieutenant colonel, Infantry.

M.G.—No Army of occupation has yet been organized as such, and to guess whether any such force will ever be organized is pure speculation. As ground is taken, the troops which conquer it normally hold it. If the period of occupation is prolonged, available replacements may be sent in.

L. S. T.—Longevity pay for double time service is not included in the Merritt Bill (H. R. 1506), but in another measure, H. R. 1673, which was reported recently by the House Military Committee. (See 22 and 26 Feb. issues of Army and Navy Journal).

W. A. C., Ft. Huachuca.—We cannot publish complete requirements for the physical therapy course in this column. If you will give your name and address we will send you a memo the Surgeon General's Office has prepared for us on this subject.

J. O. M.—A soldier appointed master sergeant on 15 May, 1942, retired, then recalled to active duty continues to rank as master sergeant from 15 May, 1942, the day he first entered that grade.

D. J. R.—We do not believe that your wife will receive mustering out pay, since her discharge probably will be considered to be on her own initiative to accept employment. However, you should submit the case to the War Department for official determination.

O. R.—Enlisted men retire in the grade held at time of application for retirement, except that men who held higher rank in World War I retire in such rank.

In The Journal

One Year Ago

The battle of the Bismarck Sea now has been decided. We have achieved a victory of such completeness as to assume the proportions of a major disaster to the enemy. His entire force was practically destroyed.

10 Years Ago

The riding hall at Fort Myer, Va., was destroyed by fire on 28 Feb. Destruction was so complete that the remnants of the walls were torn down the following day. A board of inquiry composed of Maj. George D. Shea, Maj. A. D. Surles and Capt. Claude A. Burch was appointed by Maj. George A. Patton, jr., post commander.

25 Years Ago

Lt. Comdr. Wadleigh Capehart, USN, has been detached from duty in the Naval Aviation Branch and detailed in an advisory capacity to the Brazilian government.

50 Years Ago

From the Navy Yard, N. Y., this week it is learned that nearly all the armor plates of the Maine are in position. The Marblehead is expected to be ready for commission on March 14, and an official trial of the engines of the Cincinnati is scheduled to take place early in April.

80 Years Ago

The Congressional debate on naval questions has elicited the original cost of our navy yards, as follows: New York, \$40,000; Philadelphia, \$37,000; Boston, \$39,214; Portsmouth, N. H., \$5,500; Norfolk, \$12,000; Washington, \$4,000; Pensacola, \$100,000; Benicia, Calif., \$200,000.

Army Casualties

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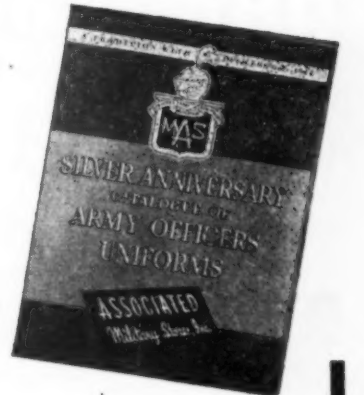
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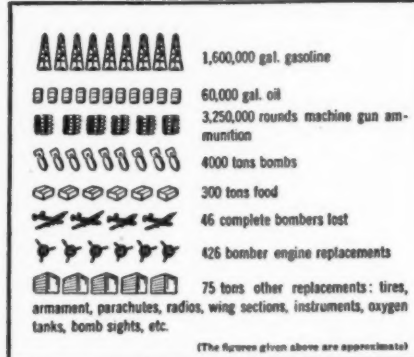


1. 40 minutes ago, there were Nazi factories down there building Focke-Wulf 190's and machine guns. Now there are no factories. Not even a city. For the last of 1000 Allied bombers has just dropped its block busters and is heading for home.

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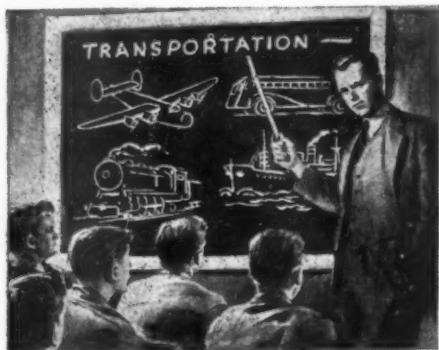
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IN THIS DRAMA of train, ship, truck, and plane pitching in together to help speed the defeat of the Axis, there is a lesson we must not forget when the war is over:



6. Out of this war will come improved, cheaper, and swifter ways of transporting goods and people—over highway and rail, on the sea, and through the air. In rebuilding the peacetime world, all these forms of transportation must work together, each doing the job for which it is best fitted.

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SERVICE NEWS AND GOSSIP

Foreign Affairs—The fruits of Secretary Hull's clever diplomacy in the case of Finland are being shown in two ways, both of prime importance. There is the revelation of the Russian terms, which would not have been made public had the preliminary exchanges between the Finnish and Soviet Governments failed to indicate a mutual desire to settle their differences. There is the consultation between Russia and Great Britain regarding those terms, which is in accord with the Treaty of Alliance forbidding either to make a separate peace. Here then is a demonstration on the part of the Soviet Union of its purpose to do what Mr. Hull expected—stand by its engagements—and it justifies his policy of patience in the face of the cryptic reports that have emanated from Moscow which showed continuing distrust between the powerful members of the United Nations. Confirmatory also of the gratifying attitude of our Russian Ally is the reply of Marshal Stalin to President Roosevelt's telegram of congratulations on the occasion of the twenty-sixth anniversary of the Red Army. The Marshal stated he is strongly convinced that the time is near—and it is approaching!—when the cooperating Armies will march to effect German defeat "upon the basis of the agreements reached at Moscow and Teheran." Both of those agreements, it will be recalled, set forth as their first postulate that the signatories should work together and not lay down their arms until Germany had unconditionally surrendered. The Teheran Pact, which was signed by the President, Mr. Churchill and Marshal Stalin, was explicit in the matter of the joint attack to be made upon Germany, for it stated unequivocally that a complete agreement had been reached as to the scope and timing of operations to be undertaken from the south, east and west. In saying therefore, he is "strongly convinced that the time is near" for the western assault on Hitler's European fortress to begin, Stalin has shown he is satisfied with the plans which have been communicated to him and the extent and progress of the preparations made for their execution. While he appreciates the value of the bombing directed upon German factories and communications, and the prospect of air supremacy, which was set forth in the House of Commons this week by Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary of State for air, the Russian leader clearly forecasted in his message to the President that there would have to be land operations in accordance with their official understanding. Already the President has said as much, and so did Prime Minister Churchill in his latest report to Parliament. Thus, we enter upon what Stalin hopes will be the final phase of the war in Europe, with continuing agreement between the powerful leaders among the United Nations.

In respect of Finland, it is true, as the Moscow communique stated, that preparations for official peace negotiations have been initiated following unofficial conversations between a Finnish Government representative and the Soviet Ambassador in Stockholm. The terms asked and presented are regarded by Washington at least as a basis for official discussion. First of all, these terms recognize the continuance of an independent Finland, and do not require unconditional surrender. They call naturally for a rupture of relations by that independent Finland with Germany, and the internment of German troops and ships in the country, and they offer Russian assistance should Helsinki find this task beyond its powers. They demand the reestablishment of the Russo-Finnish boundaries which were fixed under the treaty of peace of 1940, which would mean protection of Leningrad through the creation of the Karelo-Finnish Republic. They provide for an exchange of prisoners. Left to negotiation are the demobilization of the Finnish Army, the question of damages due to the Soviet Union, and the control of the Petsamo region. It is noted that nothing is asked of Finland in the way of territory or bases which was not contained in the 1940 treaty, and no demand for the surrender of the war guilty, and to be discussed is the size of the Army, which, if Germany should not declare war upon Finland, would be used with other United Nations' forces, the amount of reparations Finland possibly may pay, and the questions involved in connection with the Petsamo area. Petsamo is an ice free port, which would be valuable for Russian lend-lease supply, and in the area are nickel mines the products of which Soviet factories could use.

The effect of the announcement that Finland is negotiating to withdraw from the war is having important repercussions upon all the German Satellites. While they have been encouraged by the resistance which has been offered to the Anglo-American Armies in Italy, they note the continuous advance of the Red Armies into Poland and toward Bessarabia, the progress though slow, being made to adjust Russo-Polish relations, and the effects of the intensifying bombing operations upon German industry and communications. In the Far East, they see Japan being driven back toward her homeland, as a result of the offensive operations of General MacArthur and Admiral Nimitz, and unable to give but a modicum of support to her Ally in Europe. The break away of Finland consequently, would add to Balkin dismay. Especially is this true in Bulgaria. Feelers for peace are emanating from Sofia, and possibly they may eventuate in a request for terms as in the case of Finland.

The difficult times through which Argentina is passing are the subject of incessant discussion between the other members of the Pan-American Union. Until a condition of stability shall be established in that country it will be impossible for this or any other government of the New World to give full recognition to the personnel in power in Buenos Aires. General Farrell, now in control, has indicated that his clique will observe the policy of the ousted President Ramirez insofar as not renewing relations with the Axis and suppression of espionage activities, are concerned. But whether he will effectively cooperate remains to be seen, and that cooperation could best be shown by an announcement of his country's entrance into the United Nations and a declaration of war against Germany and Japan. We know that powerful forces are arrayed against each other in Argentina, but in the end we have no doubt that the people will settle the controversy by demanding that a Government live up to its obligations to its sister states.

The State Department has given further evidence that it is looking well to the future beyond the war, with a view to promoting understanding and accord among nations, in line with principles of the Atlantic Charter and the earnest desire of American people to promote and maintain peace in the future. Through the President, the Department has sent to Congress a report of its work under the "good neighbor" act, passed in August, 1933, and a request for authorization to extend the work to other countries. It has been extended already to China by means of a grant from the President's emergency fund. Otherwise it has been confined, according to Congressional provision, to the other republics of the American Hemisphere. Now, however, the Department asks and the President recommends that the act be broadened to include nations across the ocean. A worldwide good neighbor policy is proposed. "Apart from the intensification of the cooperative program on an emergency basis, necessitated by conduct of the war," says Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., acting Secretary of State, "the widening horizons of international responsibilities open to the United States by the war and its probable effect requires for the future a continuing and coordinated program to promote mutual understanding with other peoples. Provisions of the lease-lend agreement already negotiated commit the signatory governments to continue collaboration and cooperation for an indefinite period after the cessation of hostilities. A program underlying and supporting these cooperative efforts, recognized as an important factor to their success in war time, would be no less vital in the period of postwar adjustment." The proposal does not limit the extension of the policy to allied nations for the duration of the war. This limitation is imposed by necessity, and the broader scope of including nations is evidently contemplated. At any rate, no restriction is suggested. "It is evident," says the Acting Secretary,

"that there is urgent need for a constructive program of long-term and continuing character, not only with the republics of the Western Hemisphere but on a world-wide basis."

Army Ground Forces—HEADQUARTERS, AAF.—The following officers have reported for permanent duty at Headquarters, Army Ground Forces: Col. Gerald F. Lillard, FA, assigned to the G-3 Section; Lt. Col. Charles N. S. Ballou, Inf., assigned to the Requirements Section; Lt. Col. Airel B. Cooper, Sig. C, assigned to the Ground Signal Section; Lt. Col. Blair A. Ford, Inf., assigned to the G-3 Section, and Maj. George W. Crocker, CAC, assigned to the G-3 Section.

ARMORED CENTER—Recent lengthening of the Automotive Maintenance course at the Armored School from 10 to 12 weeks gives students more time for practical application, according to phase chiefs of the two divisions affected, Capt. Harold E. Massey, of the Engine Division, and Capt. C. R. Wilson, of the Chassis Division.

HEADQUARTERS, ANTI-AIRCRAFT COMMAND—Maj. Gen. Joseph A. Green, commanding general, Antiaircraft Command, inspected antiaircraft replacement training last week on a visit to the Antiaircraft Artillery firing range at New Point Comfort, Va., where antiaircraft replacement trainees from the training center at Fort Eustis, Va., were engaged in target practice, firing self-propelled AAA automatic weapons.

Among the recent visitors to Headquarters of the Antiaircraft Command at Richmond, Va., were Col. J. S. Muirhead, Major Thompson and Captain Kindon, British Army Staff, Washington, D. C. Other visitors at Headquarters, Antiaircraft Command, last week were Col. Harold S. Johnson, from Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, and officers from the Coast Artillery School.

REPLACEMENT AND SCHOOL COMMAND, CAVALRY SCHOOL—Col. Walton Ojeda, commandant of the Cavalry School of Chile, and Col. Juan Bertossi, commandant of the Engineers' School of Chile, were recent visitors at Fort Riley, Kan., where they spent several days inspecting training methods at the Cavalry School.

Col. W. F. Jennings has assumed command of the 20th Cavalry Composite School Regiment, succeeding Col. Thomas T. Thornburgh, who has left the Cavalry School for a new station. Colonel Jennings formerly was Chief of the Task Force Division, G-3 Section, at Headquarters, Army Ground Forces.

Capt. Charles H. Edwards has been assigned as orientation officer of the Cavalry School after completing the orientation and education course at the School for Special Services, Lexington, Va. Other new members of the staff and faculty include Capt. William L. Toston and 1st Lt. William A. Tiffany, 2nd Cavalry School Detachment, and Capt. Curtis L. Alexander, 1st Lt. Harold L. Moschel and 2nd Lt. Harlan B. Dodge, assigned to the department of motors.

"Men may have the idea that they are being trained to fight a defeated enemy who will take only pursuing—but you must let them know in training that the German army was never more powerful than it is now and that it will fight the hardest when cornered," Col. Thomas W. Herren, commandant of the Cavalry School, told a recent graduating class of an Officers' Advanced Course.

Lt. Col. William F. Kirby has joined the staff and faculty of the Cavalry School and has been assigned as Assistant Director of Training. Lt. Col. J. Paul Breden and Lt. Col. Richard K. Strauss, two other new arrivals, are assigned to the department of weapons.

Marine Corps—In the future, no Marine Corps Reservist, Class III(d), will be discharged from the service if found deficient at any point in his training at officer candidate school, but will be reassigned in a capacity which will make his services of most value. Previously, officer candidates who "washed out" were released from service until such time as Selective Service should bring them back into military service.

A new Letter of Instruction, No. 658, has been issued to cover the issuance and wearing of distinctive shoulder insignia by Marine units. The letter replaces letters No. 410 of 17 April 1943 and No. 569 of 27 Oct. 1943.

Four retirements of Marine officers, all for physical disability, were approved by the President on 1 March. Those retired were: Capt. Thomas Leonard Lamar, USMC; 1st Lt. James D. Smith, USMCR; 1st Lt. Donald Dave Olsen, USMCR, and 1st Lt. Edgar P. McBryde, USMCR.

A Distinguished Service Medal is to be awarded to General Thomas Hlocomb, former Marine Corps Commandant, under terms of a bill approved by the President last week. Marine Corps Headquarters this week could not predict when the presentation ceremony would take place, but the consensus of opinion was that the President would make the award in person, in the name of Congress.

A War Bond Promotion Officer has been appointed at Headquarters, Marine Corps, to coordinate Marine bond-buying activities. At the larger Marine bases—New River, San Diego, Parris Island, Camp Pendleton, Camp Elliott, Quantico and Philadelphia—full time war bond promotion officers are to be named. Marine war bond promotion officers are instructed to work in close liaison with navy war bond promotion officers in their localities.

Army Air Forces—During the week ended 28 Feb. the 8th Air Force destroyed 430 enemy planes out of a total of 644. The 15th Air Force, based in Italy, accounted for the remaining 205. No figures were available on the number destroyed by the RAF during this period.

During the same period incomplete figures show the loss of 387 heavy bombers and 37 fighters by Allied air forces.

In this offensive at least 18,000 tons of bombs were dropped in 13 raids on at least 15 major German aircraft production centers.

In announcing that the need of the AAF for training planes has been met the War Department announced, 28 Feb., that the termination of existing contracts for such aircraft has been ordered to insure use of the workers involved in the construction of combat craft.

Primary constructors affected by the order are: Consolidated-Vultee, Nashville, Tenn., and Downey, Calif.; Aeronca, Middletown, Ohio; Fairchild Aviation Corp., Hagerstown, Md.

The AAF will have on hand a quantity of incomplete fabricated parts on terminating the contracts. It is anticipated that a portion of this supply will be absorbed as spares in maintenance of present trainer planes.

More than 4,000 instructors, graduates and students of the Civil Aeronautics Administration-War Training Service, affected by the recently announced discontinuance of the program of training flight instructors through civilian agencies, will be given an opportunity to select combat flying, training or other flight duty within the AAF.

It is believed that AAF training facilities will now be adequate to conduct future flight training of instructors without the continued assistance of the CAA-WTS program.

The CAA announced, 17 Jan., that all training in the secondary, cross-country, Link instrument and flight instructor courses accordingly has been discontinued. This does not indicate any change in policy with respect to the use of civilian flying schools in the flight indoctrination course, which is being conducted by the CAA for the AAF in conjunction with the college program for air crews.

Courses at Brooks Field, Texas, and the Central Instructors' School, Randolph Field, Texas, are being closed to CAA-WTS students. Those now on active duty who were trained in CAA-WTS will be given their choice of continuing in the following training program of the AAF: Aviation Cadet, if qualified; Volunteering for glider training, if qualified; Volunteering for technical training.

Instructors released from training activities as a result of the discontinuance

will be given an opportunity to: Volunteer for Aviation Cadet training, if qualified, or apply for pilot assignments. A limited number of these will be open in the AAF Transport Command to those who qualify.

The type of technical training to be given graduates and undergraduates for such training will be determined on a basis of experience and aptitude of the individual. Instructors who wish to volunteer for pilot duty with the ATC may make application through the contractor by whom they have been employed or through regional representatives of the CAA.

The CAA announced that 4,176 were still in training with the CAA War Training Service 30 Dec. This entire change does not in any way affect the normal flight training program of the AAF.

AAF AID SOCIETY—Civilian flying instructors and other employees of the Palo Alto, Calif., Airport, each contributed one day's pay to the AAF Aid Society recently. This produced \$3,478.70, whereupon the King City, Calif., Aviation School matched the contribution and sent a check for \$6,957.40 to Mrs. Henry H. Arnold, wife of the commanding general of the AAF.

Other donations were added and Mr. Harry S. White, president of the school, made arrangements whereby the proceeds of the annual rodeo staged by the King City Stampede Association were donated to the cause. The association forwarded to Mrs. Arnold an additional \$2,181.26.

J. Wendell Coombs, president of the Aeronautical Training Society, has recommended similar community projects to all 63 Aeronautical Training Society schools doing flight training for the AAF and United Nations.

Army Signal Corps—Grown from a two thousand dollar item in the Army budget to a multi-billion dollar undertaking, the Signal Corps, Army Service Forces, celebrated its eighty-first birthday yesterday without anniversary ceremonies but with the knowledge that it has—through the years—maintained its tradition for scientific pioneering and has aided in making signal communications one of the foremost tools of war.

Authorized as a separate branch of the Army by Act of Congress on 3 Mar. 1863, during the Civil War, the Signal Corps in its infancy was composed of less than a hundred officers and enlisted men. Today personnel wearing Signal Corps insignia number approximately twice the size of what was the normal peacetime regular army. These troops are with units of the Army Air Forces and the Army Ground Forces as well as the Army Service Forces.

Several years before a separate Signal Corps was established, Congress authorized the appointment of "one signal officer" in the Army and appropriated \$2,000 "for the manufacture or purchase of apparatus for field signalling." Funds available for the Signal Corps in 1944 are in excess of \$5,500,000,000—a figure sixty-six times greater than the largest annual appropriation for the Signal Service of the Army during World War I.

The Signal Corps, due to the nature of military operations in World War II, has been called upon to establish and operate a vast global communications system. It is the world's greatest purchaser of communication equipment, its 1943 purchases having totalled ten times the dollar value of all such equipment sold in the United States in 1940.

The Army Service Forces Signal Supply Catalogue lists more than 100,000 separate items of signal supplies, compared with 2,500 such items in World War I. In addition it has become one of the greatest producers and distributors of motion pictures, having produced and distributed more than 1,000 training films which are shown approximately 200,000 times each month to audiences totalling above 23,000,000. These totals do not include overseas showings.

The Off-Duty Education Program offered at the Eastern Signal Corps Training Center at Fort Monmouth, N. J., has been commended by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, in a letter to the readers of "The Signal Corps Message."

Lt. Col. Charles G. McBrearty, SC, formerly assigned to Aircraft Radio Laboratory at Wright Field, Ohio, has been designated Administrative Inspector on the staff of Col. Lester J. Harris, Director of the Signal Corps Inspection Agency at Dayton, Ohio.

Maj. Harold E. Collins and Lt. Joseph Cranage, both of the Signal Corps, have been assigned to the International Branch, Procurement Division, Office of the Chief Signal Officer. Major Collins had been on duty at the Philadelphia Signal Depot, and Lt. Cranage was with the Philadelphia Signal Corps Procurement District.

A record of no property or equipment losses due to fire in more than sixteen months of operation has been established at the Western Signal Corps Training Center at Camp Kohler, Calif., as a result of a rigid fire inspection and training program.

Physical training and more physical training for Signal Corps combat troops is one of the emphatic recommendations contained in a letter to the Chief Signal Officer from the commander of a Signal Company on a Southwest Pacific front.

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Corps of Engineers—Brig. Gen. Gordon R. Young, CE, has been assigned to the command of the Engineer School, to take effect immediately. The new head of the Engineer's School took command of the 11th Engineers at Corozal, C. Z., 6 Oct. 1939, and went to Fort Clayton with that unit on 13 Jan. 1940. He became Department Engineer, Panama Canal Department, 17 May 1941 and was given additional duty as District Engineer, Panama District, 16 Dec. 1941.

On 15 Jan. 1942 General Young was made Division Engineer Panama Division (formerly Panama District), with headquarters at Albrook Field. On 1 Sept. 1942 he was relieved from all former assignments and became Chief, Engineer Service, Caribbean Defense Command, with station at Quarry Heights, in charge of Engineer duty in the Caribbean and Panama Division. General Young became a Brigadier

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Field Artillery—Maj. Gen. Orlando Ward, Field Artillery School commandant, and Chief Warrant Officer Charles B. Tyler, FAS band director, each were presented the Legion of Merit in a brief military ceremony on the Old Post Parade ground, Ft. Sill, Okla., on 19 Feb.

The award to General Ward is in recognition of his services as secretary of the War Department general staff from July, 1939, to August, 1941. Mr. Tyler was cited by the War Department in connection with his duties as band director in the Field Artillery School. The awards were presented by Maj. Gen. Ralph McT. Pennell, commanding general of the Field Artillery Replacement Training center.

Col. Herman J. Crigger, formerly executive of the 97th Infantry Division Artillery at Camp Swift, Tex., has been assigned director of the Field Artillery School Motors department, succeeding Col. Clyde M. Hallam, who recently departed for another assignment. In 1933 Colonel Crigger was among nine officers to receive gold medals awarded by the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL for the most efficient and best appearing CCC companies in the nation. The medal was presented personally by General Douglas MacArthur, then chief of staff.

Six officers have been added to the staff and faculty of the Field Artillery School: Materiel department—Capt. James W. Higson and 1st Lt. Richard E. Ebner; Communications department, CWO Ralph R. Rush; Motor Transportation department, Maj. Ellis L. Jacobson; Observation department, 2nd Lt. William J. Herwin, and Tactics department, Capt. Theodore Nelson. 2nd Lt. Johnny Y. Brooks has been assigned to the FAS Truck Regiment.

Army Chaplains' Corps—Although many items of equipment already have been provided for chaplains the following items may now be requisitioned for each attached or assigned chaplain: One outfit for each chaplain of the Christian faith and for each chaplain of the Jewish faith; one typewriter, portable, with carrying case; one truck, $\frac{1}{4}$ ton, 4 x 4, with trailer, $\frac{1}{4}$ ton. The chaplain's assistant is to be designated as "driver, $\frac{1}{4}$ ton truck" in addition to his other duties.

Indicative of the inter-faith care given to the Armed Forces, Chaplain Jacob Rothschild has declared of his recent service in the South Pacific "I believe I was the first Jewish chaplain assigned to the South Pacific Theater, and I never visited a unit there where a Jewish service had not been held before my arrival."

"God's Minute" is observed each day at noon by the First Air Force, Mitchell Field, N. Y. The public address system is used by Chaplain H. M. King for the minute of prayer and meditation in which the troops share wherever they may be.

Chaplain Harry DuB. Southard, Third Service Command Chaplain, went on terminal leave 1 March and will be retired from the Army on 1 July, after 26 years' service. He will be succeeded by Chaplain R. C. Deibert.

Bureau of Ships—The destroyer English, honoring the late Rear Adm. Robert H. English, USN, was launched 27 Feb. at the Kearny, N. J., yards of the Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. Sponsor of the vessel was Ens. Eloise W. English, daughter of Admiral English, who is stationed at the Navy Department Office of Public Relations, Washington, D. C. She was attended by her sister, Miss Elinor Cornelia English. Also present were Mrs. Robert H. English, widow of Admiral English, and his son, Ens. Robert H. English, jr. The last command held by Admiral English was of submarines in the Pacific, for which service he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal posthumously.

The 2,200-ton destroyer Moore was launched 23 Feb. at Bethlehem Steel's Staten Island, N. Y., shipyard and christened in honor of the late Capt. Samuel Moore.

Two launchings at the Mare Island, Calif., Navy Yard were the destroyer escorts Finnegan and Creamer, honoring the late Ens. William Michael Finnegan and the late Ens. William Wilson Creamer.

The Bureau of Ships has set up a special branch to expedite the production of battle replacements. Under a new plan initiated by the Industrial Incentive Division of the Navy Department battle replacements are considered as important as the ships and planes for which they are to be used and are not considered "spare parts" which refers to parts sometimes extra and unnecessary.

The Secretary of the Navy has designated Mrs. John S. McCain, wife of Vice Adm. McCain, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, as sponsor of the new aircraft carrier Bon Homme Richard now under construction at the New York Navy Yard.

Mrs. John Downes, wife of Rear Adm. John Downes, USN-Ret., has been designated by the Secretary of the Navy to sponsor the new submarine Lamprey, now under construction at the Manitowoc Shipbuilding Co., Manitowoc, Wis.

Infantry School—Col. Temple G. Holand, holder of the D.S.M. and Purple Heart has returned from the South Pacific and been assigned to the faculty of the Infantry School. Units under his command saw action on New Georgia and Guadalcanal. Also, newly assigned to the faculty is Col. Archibald Ross MacKenzie, holder of the Silver Star, who commanded the force which landed at Nassau Bay, New Guinea.

Lt. Col. Harry Schwolsky, executive officer of the 169th Infantry during the battle for New Georgia Island in the South Pacific, was presented by Maj. Gen. Charles H. Bonesteel, Commandant of The Infantry School, with a War Department commendation for the part he played in the battle. The Colonel was cited for exposing himself to fire to repair communication lines which were necessary to the success of the attack.



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Bureau of Medicine and Surgery—A staff conference on atypical pneumonia was held 29 Feb. in the auditorium of the National Naval Medical Center. Lt. Comdr. A. W. Hobby, (MC) USNR, presented a study of 500 cases of atypical lobar and bronchopneumonia at the Naval Hospital, Bethesda.

Rear Adm. H. W. Smith, (MC) USN-Ret., attended the dedication exercises of the medical research laboratory of the Army's Chemical Warfare Service at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., on 22 Feb. On 25 Feb., Capt. Ernest W. Brown, (MC) USN-Ret., as Bureau of Medicine and Surgery liaison officer, attended a meeting of the toxicity section of the National Defense Research Committee at the University of Chicago. On 28 Feb., Captain Brown attended a meeting of the section on physiological mechanisms of war gases at the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research in New York, N. Y.

Three officers recently reported for duty in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. Comdr. Thaddeus V. Joseph, (DC) USNR, has been assigned to the dental division; Ch. Pharm. Cary O. Edge, USN, has been assigned to the division of preventive medicine, and Lt. (jg) Robert R. Yarabeck, CEC-V(S), USNR, has been assigned temporary duty in the division of preventive medicine.

New Weapons of Warfare—It has been reported that air-borne rockets were used by U. S. Marine Corps torpedo planes during the recent attack on Rabaul Harbor, New Britain Island. The rockets were described as resembling shells with wings and 12 enemy ships were reported hit.

The London *Evening Standard* describes a projectile which it says the RAF has called the "scarecrow rocket" which is being used by the Germans in an effort to make British air crews believe that a large number of their bombers are being shot down.

The rocket, fired from planes, looks like a bomber falling in flames. It is similar to the flares set off on the ground to create the same impression.

Army Medical Department—Charging them with their new duties of preserving the health of our fighting forces, Brig. Gen. Raymond W. Bliss, director of the operations division, Office of the Surgeon General, addressed several hundred graduates of the School for Medical Officers at the Medical Replacement Training Center, Camp Berkeley, Tex., 24 Feb. General Bliss was introduced by Brig. Gen. Roy C. Hefebower, commanding general of the Medical Replacement Training Center and the

School for Medical Officers. Also present were Maj. Gen. Carlos Brewer, commanding general of the 12th Armored Division, whose son, Lt. Carlos Brewer, Jr., was a member of the class; Brig. Gen. Fred Rankin, Surgeon General's Office; Col. Hertel Makel, assistant to the surgeon of the 8th Service Command; Lt. Col. Dean Schamber, assistant commandant of the school, and Maj. Miles G. Bell, school executive officer.

The ceremonies marked the completion of a six-week indoctrination course for the officers, and the first time that such a course has been offered at a Medical Replacement Training Center.

Shells for French Ships—Fast teamwork among several branches of the U. S. Navy recently kept French warships in the thick of Allied action off Italy. Critically needed cargo—a number of tons of American naval shells—was flown from the United States to the battle scene in 34 hours by Naval Air Transport Service.

The French ships, bombarding German lines in support of Allied ground troops, were running out of ammunition. No shells to fit their guns were available on that side of the Atlantic. A quick check, however, showed that American six-inch shells, with slight adjustment, could replace the French projectiles.

The needed projectiles and detonator fuses were obtained by the Bureau of Ordnance and packed for air shipment. The Naval Air Transport Service, under command of Capt. D. F. Smith, USN, supplied two big Douglas R5D cargo planes and their crews. Each plane had a substantial overload of shells. Commanding the planes were Lt. J. D. Gillian, USNR, and Lt. C. A. Macatee, USNR. To save weight, they carried only skeleton crews. This meant that every man had to stay on duty without relief until the shells were delivered.

They flew the Atlantic and reached Africa with two brief operational stops. Over North Africa, the weather was so bad that all aerial warfare had stopped. The Army air controls in Algiers ordered the two Navy cargo planes grounded. One of them landed and its Commander explained the extreme urgency of the flight. He obtained a countermand of the grounding orders, and the heavily-laden planes flew on through murky skies to Bizerte in time to keep the French warships firing.

Judge Advocate General's Dept.—Approximately 130 officers, the largest number of graduates in the history of the school, will be graduated from The Judge Advocate General's School, Ann Arbor, Mich., on 14 March, it has been announced by Col. Edward H. Young, Commandant. Included will be 80 officer candidates comprising the 4th Officer Candidate Class who will be commissioned second lieutenants at the graduation parade in the Law Quadrangle of the University of Michigan on the preceding day. Other classes to graduate are the 14th and 15th Officer Classes, the membership of which ranges in rank from lieutenant colonel to second lieutenant.

Transportation Corps—One hundred fifteen Transportation Corps Officers completed a six weeks course at the Atlantic Coast Transportation Corps Officers Training School, Ft. Slocum, N. Y., on 26 Feb. Brig. Gen. Clarence H. Kells, Commanding General of the Boston Port of Embarkation in delivering the commencement address, said: "The Transportation Corps is going to demand a lot of its officers. Hour after hour, in rain, snow, the Transportation Corps is going to reach out and out, and when soldiers are put in various theaters the job is only half completed—for we must bring them back and redistribute them, and, we must salvage all the equipment that is possible.

Col. Bernard Lentz, Commandant of the School and Post Commander, introduced General Kells, and Maj. Hervey D. Hotchkiss, Assistant Commandant, presented the officer graduates to the General. 1st Lt. Anthony Carnesi, a military instructor at the school, sang The Song of The Transportation Corps, accompanied by the Fort Slocum Band.

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Gen. Roosevelt to England

Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt, jr., head of the United States liaison mission with French troops in Italy, has been relieved of that post and given an important assignment in Great Britain, it was reported this week.

The Brazzaville radio said that Gen. Alphonse Juin, commander of the French Forces in Italy, said to General Roosevelt, "Your departure gives me genuine sorrow. There is no one here from modest private to highest general who has not loved you."

Send Easter Mail Now

Easter greetings to members of the armed forces overseas should be mailed immediately if delivery is to be assured.

Delivery of Easter mail to all but the most isolated outposts will be completed by Easter Sunday, 9 April, if it is mailed promptly, the War Department says.

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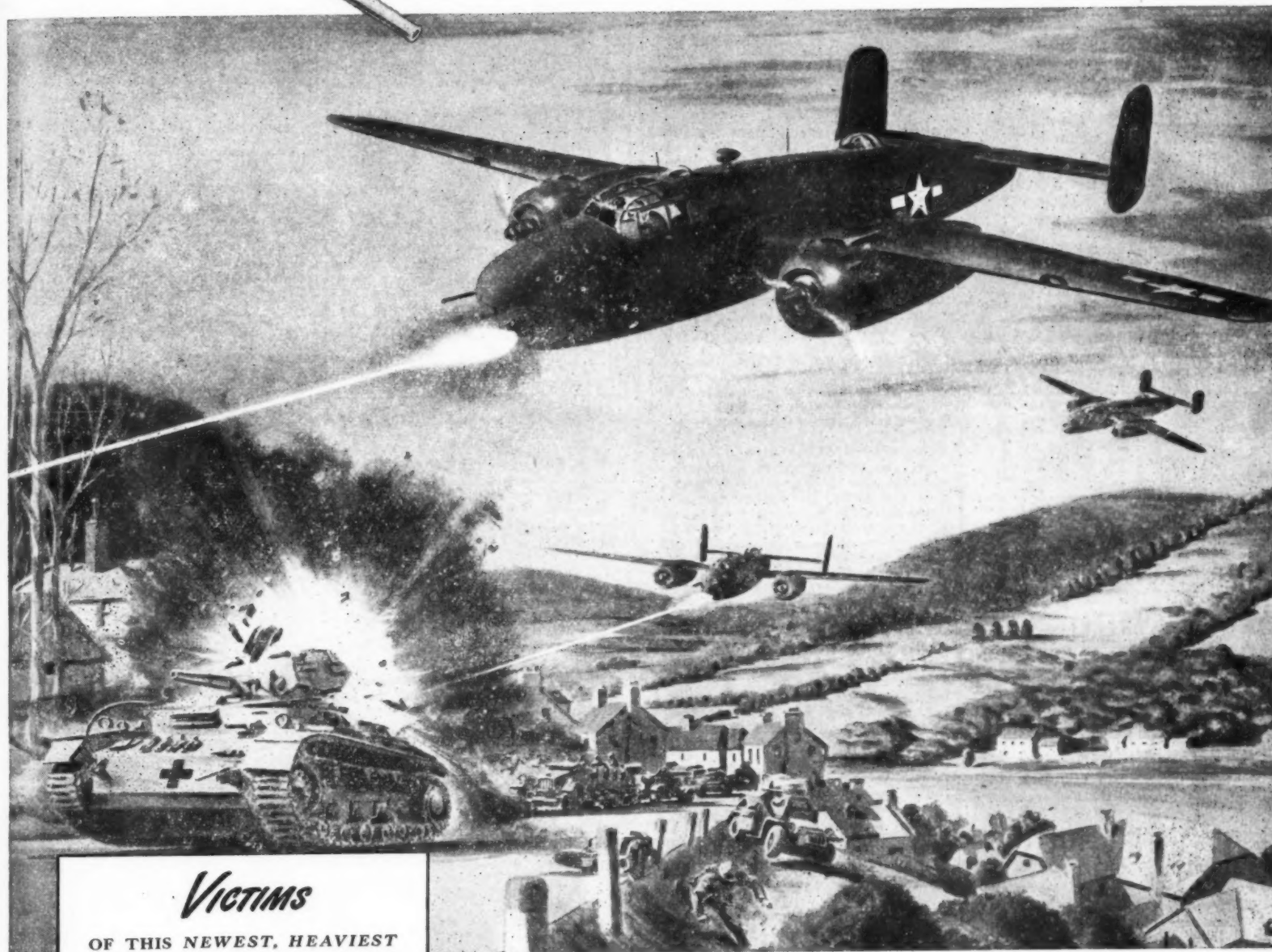
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ADMIRAL Ernest J. King, Chief of Naval Operations, and Mrs. King had with them for the last week-end their daughter, Mrs. Oliver van der Berg, wife of Col. van der Berg, USA, and her children at their quarters, "The Admiral House" at the Naval Observatory.

Rear Adm. and Mrs. Philip B. Eaton entertained at a cocktail party Sunday afternoon last at their home, "Cumynholm" in Rock Creek Park, the gathering being in compliment to Rear Adm. and Mrs. James Pine. The former is superintendent of the Coast Guard Academy at New London, Conn.

Maj. Gen. James A. Ullo, The Adjutant General of the Army, was the guest in compliment to whom Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Witt entertained at a dinner party at the Mayflower Saturday evening.

Mrs. Robert P. Patterson, wife of the Under Secretary of War, will be hostess at an at-home in compliment to officer WACs at her house in Georgetown the latter part of April, at which Mrs. Roosevelt also will be a guest.

Mrs. John Hinckley was hostess at a dinner Tuesday evening for Miss Audrey Campbell, daughter of the late Lt. Col. and Mrs. Colin Campbell, and her fiancé, Lt. Middleton G. C. Train, son of Rear Adm. and Mrs. Charles R. Train who are

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to be married today. The bride's cousin, Mr. Thomas Leiter and Mrs. Leiter, at whose home 1531 New Hampshire ave., the wedding will take place, gave a dinner dance for the young couple last night.

Brig. Gen. Ernest D. Scott, Ret., is at the Army and Navy Club on a short visit from Florida where he is spending the winter.

Mrs. Truman O. Murphy, widow of Col. T. O. Murphy, Mrs. Sylvester D. Downs, wife of Brig. Gen. S. D. Downs, and Mrs. Chester Lee Johnson, wife of Major Chester L. Johnson, FA, have returned to San Antonio from California and are now at home at 202 Chichester Place.

At the buffet supper honoring Mrs. Leigh Wade, wife of Colonel Wade, who is stationed at San Antonio de los Baños Base near Havana, last Monday by the Military Attache of the Cuban Embassy and Senora de Munilla, Maj. and Mrs. F. Mackenzie-Davison and Comdr. and Mrs. Curtis Shears were among Service folk attending.

Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower, wife of General Eisenhower, has left Washington to make her home in San Antonio, Texas.

Lt. Roger Wheaton Clapp, USA, who has been stationed in Texas arrived at his home in Baltimore Sunday to spend his leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rowland Clapp of Greenway.

Mrs. Jack Hoyle, wife of Captain Hoyle, son of Gen. and Mrs. Rene E. de R. Hoyle, now on duty on the West Coast with the Army Air Forces, has established herself and three children at Parkfairfax apartments in Alexandria, Va.

Mrs. Jack D. Magee, who with Maj. Magee makes her home in Falls Church, Va., has gone to the West Coast to visit relatives while Major Magee is on an inspection trip in Alaska.

Miss Marian Alice Storms only daughter of Col. Harry E. Storms and Mrs. Storms has enlisted in the Waves. She begins her training early in March at Hunter College, N. Y. City. Colonel Storms is commanding officer of the Western Signal Corps Training Center at Camp Kohler, California.

The Junior Council (Manhattan Section) of the National Council of Jewish Women is sponsoring another cocktail party and dance in its series of entertainments for officers. The party will be held 12 Mar. at 3:00 P. M. in the Satire Room of the Hotel Sheraton, Lexington Avenue and 37th Street, New York City. All officers are invited as guests of the organization. Dancing and cocktails are features of the afternoon. A program of entertainment has also been arranged.

Weddings and Engagements
THE Governor of New Jersey and Mrs. Walter Evans Edge announced the engagement of their daughter, Camilla Sewall, to 1st Lt. E. Brooke Lee, Jr., USA, at a tea they gave Sunday afternoon at their residence in Trenton. Miss Edge attended schools in France and Switzerland and graduated from St. Timothy's at Catonsville, Md., and the Sarah Lawrence College. She was presented in Washington, in June of '41.
Lt. Lee, attached to the 87th Glider Infantry, is a son of Col. E. Brooke Lee, of Silver Spring, Md., and Mrs. Clarence Aspinwall of Washington, D. C.
He was born on the estate of his paternal grandfather, former Senator Blair Lee of Silver Spring. He was graduated from St. Paul's School and Princeton University, class of '40, and was a member of the Ivy Club.
No date has been named for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul B. Farnsworth, of New Haven, Conn., announce the engagement of their daughter, June, to Av. Cadet Bradford Richards, USNR, son of



MRS. JAMES CORNELIUS TAYLOR

who before her recent marriage to Major Taylor, AUS, was Miss Consuelo Anita Marcus, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Morris Hazlett Marcus, of Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Richards of Arlington, Mass.

Cadet Richards attended Mass. State College where he was a member of Kappa Sigma. At present he is stationed at Pensacola, Fla.

The wedding will take place in New Haven after Cadet Richards receives his commission as Ensign USNR pending military orders.

Col. Donald L. Dutton, USA, and Mrs. Dutton announce the engagement of their daughter, Julia Langley, to Lt. Frederick L. Ingham, AUS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Ingham of Newark, Del. Miss Dutton is a graduate of Punahou, Honolulu, Hawaii and is now attending the Women's College, University of Delaware. Lt. Ingham is stationed on Long Island.

The engagement of Miss Margaret Paul Wehling, daughter of Maj. and Mrs. Martin Paul Wehling, to Aviation Student Dale Ecklund of San Antonio, Tex., has been announced.

Miss Wehling attended Miss Newman's school in Detroit, Mich., and is now a student at State College, Miss.

Before going to San Antonio, Cadet Ecklund was on duty in Panama as an aerial Engineer.

Definite plans for the wedding have not been announced.

Post Chapel No. 11 at Camp Campbell, Ky., was the scene Saturday, 19 Feb. of the marriage of Miss Dora Mae Eggleston, daughter of Mrs. J. B. Eggleston of Charleston, W. Va., to Capt. George Delp Styer, son of Maj. Gen. W. D. Styer, Chief of Staff, Army Service Forces, Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Styer.

The wedding was solemnized at four o'clock, with Chaplain Ruthenbeck officiating. A program of nuptial music was given by Cpl. Ross, organist and Cpl. James R. Eggleston, vocalist. The bride was given in marriage by Col. W. W. Cornog, Commanding Officer, Combat Command "B," 20th Armored Division. The bride, being an Army Nurse, wore a plain olive drab uniform. Miss Wilma Staton was the maid of honor. Capt. Allen O. Anderson served as best man for Captain Styer. The ushers were Capt. Phillip Hiele, Kenneth Maxcy, and 1st Lt. Samuel Toland.

Mrs. Styer attended Morris Harvey College and is a graduate of the Charleston General School of Nursing. She is now stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky. Captain Styer, a graduate of Norwich University of Northfield, Vt., and a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, received his commission in the spring of 1942 and is now a member of the 788th

Tank Battalion stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky.

Miss Consuela Anita Marcus, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Morris Hazlett Marcus of Ft. Sam Houston, Tex., became the bride of Maj. James Cornelius Taylor, AUS, stationed at Ft. Sam Houston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse William Taylor of Tucson, Ariz., Saturday, 19 Feb.

The ceremony, performed by Chaplain Patrick Shanley, took place in the post chapel at five o'clock and Sgt. Fred McGowan played nuptial music while the guests assembled.

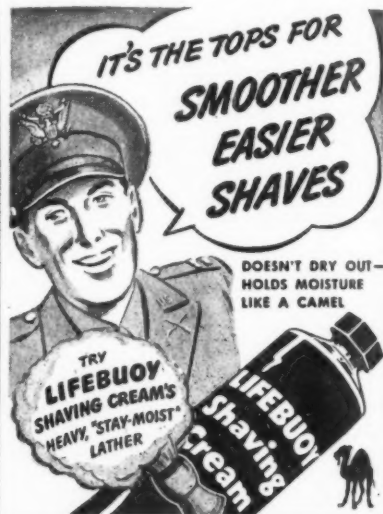
Before an altar abloom with white blossoms and lighted by candles, the bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a suit of ivory-toned flannel with straw hat trimmed with blue flowers and veiled in the same shade, and carried gardenias combined with stocks and tulle.

Her maid of honor was Miss Elizabeth Zerbee. Little Miss Loyal McNair, daughter of the late Col. William Douglas McNair, was a flower girl. The best man was Mr. Charles Morris Marcus, brother of the bride.

A reception followed at the home of Mrs. Ralph E. Ireland who received with Col. and Mrs. Marcus and the bridal couple. Major and Mrs. Taylor will be at home at 540 Pershing Ave., San Antonio, Texas.

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Comdr. and Mrs. J. A. Farrell, Jr., and their son are visiting Comdr. Farrell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Farrell.

Comdr. R. H. Blair, who has been chief observer of the Aircraft Warning Center of Annapolis, has left for new duty in Cambridge, Mass. Mrs. Blair and their children will remain in Annapolis.

Comdr. and Mrs. Peyton Park have arrived from Paraguay and are visiting Comdr. and Mrs. Maury, at their home on Prince George Street.

Comdr. and Mrs. Robert Trumble and their son, of Norfolk, are the guests of Comdr. and Mrs. W. E. Crooks, at their home at Fort Severn.

Mrs. Bronson, widow of the late Capt. Amos Bronson, USN, has closed her home at Wardour and gone to Rochester, N. Y., where she plans to stay indefinitely.

Mrs. Walter B. Tardy, widow of the late Comdr. Tardy, USN, entertained at luncheon and bridge last Tuesday at her home on Hanover Street.

Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. J. S. Williams entertained at dinner Tuesday evening at the Officers' Mess, North Severn.

NORFOLK, VA.

2 Mar. 1944

Capt. and Mrs. Albert Penn entertained at cocktails Wednesday afternoon at their quarters in the Navy Yard in honor of their house guests, Capt. and Mrs. Wendell Kraft of the Charleston, S. C., Navy Yard. The guests numbered 65.

Comdr. and Mrs. Daniel Pessagno were hosts on Friday night at a dinner preceded by cocktails given in the Officers Club, Navy Yard. Their guests numbered sixty-five.

Mrs. Guy H. Barrage and Mrs. David M. Le Breton presided at the tea and coffee tables at a beautiful George Washington birthday party given by the Great Bridge Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, last week in the tearoom of Ames and Brownley. A patriotic program of music preceded the social period. Mrs. Allen M. Cook, regent of the chapter, presided.

Two popular Norfolk girls whose marriages last week-end were outstanding social events, were honored at a number of pre-nuptial parties.

The brides are Mrs. Thomas Joseph White, wife of Cadet Thomas Joseph White, Naval ROTC, and Mrs. Charles Taylor Martin, Jr., wife of Lieutenant Martin. They were formerly, Miss Lucella McClain Van Patten and Miss Marie Glover Bond. Parties were given every afternoon and evening by their many friends and relatives here.

LONG BEACH, CALIF.

25 Feb. 1944

Capt. J. F. Melanie, USA, and Mrs. Melanie have purchased a residence at 2180 Mira Mar Avenue and plan to make this city their permanent home when he goes on terminal leave with the expectation of retirement from the service 31 Mar. He is Personnel Officer at the Los Angeles-Long Beach Port of Embarkation and the couple were feted recently at a Pacific Coast Club dinner dance. Those present included Port Commander, Col. James K. Herbert, Mrs. Herbert and nearly fifty others.

Mrs. Frank Springer, wife of Lt. Comdr. Springer, has returned to her San Francisco home after a visit as the house guest of Mrs. Forest Simoneau, during which she was the inspiration of a number of informal courtesies. Lt. Comdr. Simoneau, reported missing a year ago, and Lt. Comdr. Springer were graduated together from Annapolis with the class of 1936.

When the Naval Officers' Wives' Club meets next Tuesday in Army and Navy Club, Mrs. Willis W. Bradley, wife of Capt. Bradley, USN, will preside. The hostess chairman, Mrs. Arthur Ponto, will be assisted by Mmes. W. W. Monty, Charles Shaw, W. L. Newton, A. M. Cole, J. J. Fee, Robert Thomas, and C. W. Moss.

Second luncheon of the newly-organized club of wives of officers on duty in the harbor area with the U. S. Coast Guard is slated for Monday in Pacific Coast Club. Officers are to be elected with Mrs. Harold Bateman Roberts, wife of Lt. Comdr. Roberts, as chairman of the nominating committee.

Weddings and Engagements

(Continued from Preceding Page)

Miss Sarah Tyler Meigs, daughter of Mrs. Edward B. Meigs and the late Dr. Meigs was married to Lt. Thornton Brown (MC), USNR, at St. John's Church, Washington 28 Feb. Mr. Arthur Vincent Meigs gave his sister's hand in marriage.

Her twin sister, Mary Roberts Meigs of the Waves, was the maid of honor. Cpl. Ruth Brown, sister of the bridegroom, and the Misses Catherine Richards, M. Elizabeth Harvey, Nancy Wood and Anne M. Kidder were other attendants.

Dr. Lloyd Brown of New Haven, Conn., was best man. Ushers were Comdr. Daniel Blain, Lieut. (j. g.) Charles M. Ewing, Lieut. (j. g.) Walter H. Page, Arthur Perry, Dr. Lemoine White, Lieut. (j. g.) James C. Howe, Philip Chase and James E. Gardner.

Mrs. Louise Atwill and Capt. Alf. Herberg of the Army Air Force Band will be married next Saturday, 11 March, at the home of her mother, Mrs. Edward T. Stotesbury. Senator Radcliffe, of Maryland, will give her away. Maj. Gen. Ullo, The Adjutant General of the Army, will be best man and her elder brother, Oliver Eaton Cromwell, will be head usher.

The Locators

(Army—Address: The Locators, P. O. Box 537, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.)

THE Locators have requests for the addresses of the following officers' wives. Send any that you know to the above address:

Mrs. Albert T. Anderson (Genevieve) (Lt. Col., QMC); Mrs. Bert Arnold (Naomi) (Lt. Col., AC); Mrs. Harold Base (Maj.); Mrs. Ellen Baird (Lt.); Mrs. David Calloway (Marie) (Lt., AC); Mrs. Richard W. Cooksey (Col., Cav.); Mrs. (Babs) Dehner (Lt. Col.); Mrs. George Elms (Bessie) (Lt. Col., Cav.); Mrs. Elmer W. Grubbs (Margaret) (Lt. Col. (?), Inf.); Mrs. Hugh T. Hoffman (Winnie) (Col.); Mrs. T. R. Hottenfeller (Clara) (Lt.); Mrs. Howard Johnson (Skeets) (Col.); Mrs. Albert M. Jones (Barbara) (Maj. Gen.); Mrs. Maurice Kurtz (Margaret) (Col., FA); Mrs. Jack Looney (Maj., Inf.); Mrs. Donald Poorman (Marian) (Maj. ?); Mrs. Richard L. Stough (Marguerite) (Lt., AC); Mrs. Hubert Strahan (Lucy) (Lt., AC); Mrs. Tom Swisher (Gladys) (Lt., CE); Mrs. Randall Tollefsen (Doris) (Capt., MC); Mrs. C. W. True (Florence) (Lt. Col., AC); Mrs. John L. Tunstall (Lt. Col., FD); Mrs. Geo. Van Way (Valerie) (Maj., Inf.); Mrs. Howell Whisenant (Dorothy) (Lt., Inf.).

The Searchlight

(Navy—Address: The Searchlight, U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.)

BECAUSE we often have inquiries asking if there is a charge for furnishing addresses from the Searchlight office, we would like to say again that there is not, but Searchlight asks for return postage with each request. This assists with our small overhead and office expenses. The wanted list this week contains the following names of Navy and Marine wives, and inquiries are waiting for proper addresses.

Ashworth, Mrs. Thomas, Jr., wife of Comdr. USN, '31 Austin, Mrs. M. H., wife of Lt. C., USN, '35 Banks, Mrs. J. R., wife of Lt., USN, '39 Berg, Mrs. A., wife of Lt., USNR, Bird, Mrs. Robert, wife of Ensign, USN, '44 Butler, Mrs. Ovid McM., wife of Lt. C., USN, '36 Butterfield, Mrs. H. E., wife of Capt., USN, '22 Chapman, Mrs. A. E., wife of Comdr., USN, '22 Crashland, Mrs. Geo. N., wife of Comdr. (DC) USN, Gunther, Mrs. L. E., wife of Comdr., USN, '26 Haeblerle, Mrs. Frederick E., wife of Capt. USN, '16 Havard, Mrs. Valery, Jr., wife of Comdr., USN, '26 Jeffa, Mrs. Chas. R., wife of Capt. USN, Jones, Mrs. G. F., wife of Capt., USMCR, Kriner, Mrs. Gro. C., wife of Capt., USN, '15 Lewis, Miss Harriet, daughter of Capt. Spencer Lewis, USN, McKinnon, Mrs. Harold M., wife of Comdr., USN, '25 Family of Ensign, Menees, USNR, McGoldrick, Mrs. J. A., wife of Comdr., USN, '31 Mills, Mrs. Schuyler, wife of Capt., USN, McQueen, Mrs. John C., wife of Capt., USN, '21 McLaren, Mrs. Wm. F., wife of Lt. C., USN, '35 Nixdorf, Mrs. Sam., wife of Lt. C., USN, '35 Padgett, Mrs. Lemuel P., wife of Capt., USN, '20 Ralston, Mrs. Frank M., II, wife of Lt., USN, Ridgely, Mrs. Frank E., wife of R. Adm., USN, Russell, Mrs. J. S., wife of Comdr., USN, '26.



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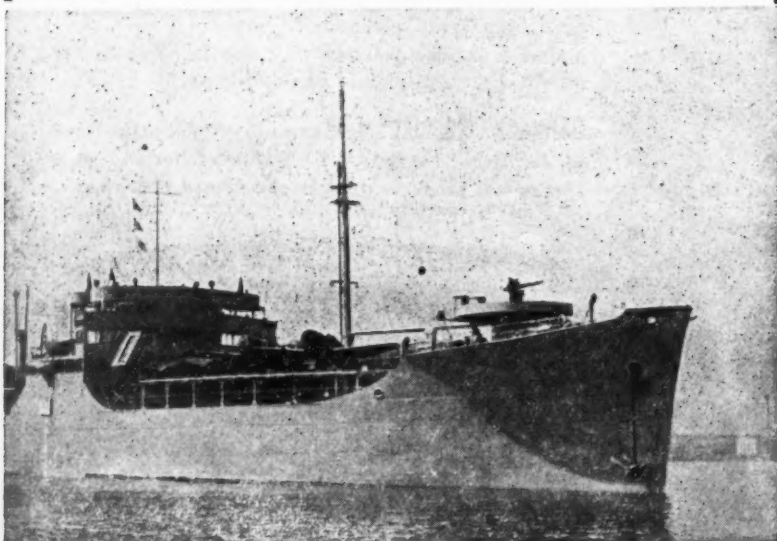
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U. S. War Communiques

NAVY DEPARTMENT

No. 507, 29 Feb.

Pacific and Far East: 1. U. S. submarines have reported the sinking of 14 enemy vessels in operations in these waters, as follows:

- 1 large tanker
- 1 medium cargo transport
- 1 small cargo vessel
- 11 medium cargo vessels

2. These actions have not been announced in any previous Navy Department communique.

GENERAL MacARTHUR'S HQ. SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA

23 Feb.

Northwestern Sector: Tenimber Islands: Our long-range fighters bombed and strafed Selaru, destroying a coastal vessel and five barges.

Northwestern Sector: Admiralty Islands: Our air patrols bombed Lorengau airdrome.

New Ireland: Kavleng: Our heavy and medium units, attacking isolated ships attempting to break our blockade, sank two freighter-transports, one escort vessel and left another in flames.

New Britain: Cape Gloucester-Arawe: The western portion of New Britain is now completely in our hands. American marines who seized the airdrome at Cape Gloucester have joined forces with the American Army units operating from Arawe. The inland areas and coastal stretches from Rottok Bay to Arawe have been thoroughly patrolled and cleared of all organized enemy resistance. The enemy has suffered heavily his casualties being estimated at approximately 7,000 belonging to the Seventeenth Division and the Sixty-fifth Brigade.

Rahaul: Our heavy units from the Solomons continuing the air attack dropped 130 tons of bombs on the Lakunai and Rapopo airfields, starting fires. There was no attempt at interception.

Cape Hoskins: Our long-range fighters and attack planes bombed and strafed villages south of Commodore Bay. Our heavy units bombed Talasea.

Rein Bay: Our escorted heavy units dropped 121 tons of bombs on Ibokl Plantation, causing explosions and fires. A medium unit attacked Linga Linga Plantation in Eleonora Bay, causing explosions.

New Guinea: Hansa Bay: Our attack planes and fighters swept the coast from Wewak to Sarang Harbor, sinking a coastal vessel and four barges. The enemy's barge traffic, one of his main channels of supply, is now thoroughly disrupted throughout the area. Upward of 1,000 barges have been destroyed during the campaign, 242 having been sunk during the last three weeks alone. One of our heavy units at night sank a 1,000-ton freighter northwest of Nubia. Our escorted dive-bombers on successive days attacked ground installations causing fires.

Rai Coast: Our ground forces mopping up up enemy remnants report a further seventy-seven dead. West of Sador, our light naval units at night destroyed three barges. Our attack planes bombed and strafed enemy tar-

gets at Mindiri and the Sa River.

Bougainville: Our fighters and torpedo bombers attacked ten barges, damaged a jetty and destroyed the pier at Pan Plantation. Our dive bombers attacked targets at Mibo River and our fighters bombed and strafed buildings at Taudawan and Tabut. Our heavy units bombed Kara Airfield.

24 Feb.

Northwestern Sector: New Guinea: Our long-range fighters bombed and strafed enemy ground installations and supply areas at Timika.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: We are tightening the blockade of the enemy's Blamark bases and now dominate the Konbhanes to the north, due to the effective neutralization of the enemy's air bases in the Admiralty, New Ireland and New Britain groups. Our blockading naval vessels, on a sweep through these waters from the Solomons, sank a north-bound enemy cargo vessel of 3,500 tons laden with troops, another large cargo vessel with nine barges, and a destroyer. Seventy-three survivors were rescued.

At night our naval units bombarded Kavleng airdrome and dock areas, starting several fires and later shelled installations on Duke of York Island.

Our Solomons medium air units attacked targets at Nemese Bay and Cape St. George.

New Britain: Our escorted medium units attacked an enemy bivouac and supply area at Porapora, starting fires. Our fighters strafed enemy positions in the vicinity of Talasea. On the south coast our air patrols damaged ground installations and three barges at Gasmatia and bombed Rano plantation at Cape Beechey.

Rahaul: Following night harassing raids, our Solomons-based bombers in all categories, with fighter escort, continued the air attacks on Lakunai and Kerav airdromes and shipping at Keravia Bay. More than 154 tons of explosives were dropped, scoring hits on eight vessels and numerous barges. Two of the vessels were left in flames. Large explosions and fires were seen in the airdromes. There was no interception.

New Guinea: Sepik River Valley: Our attack planes bombed and strafed Burui village.

Madang Coast: Our escorted dive-bombers bombed and strafed an enemy barge base on the Wagol River. Our heavy units bombed Modilon plantation. Our fighters bombed and strafed Kulau village, west of Bogadjim, and raided Bugabug Island.

Rai Coast: Our ground forces have forced beyond the Mot River. Our light naval units shelled Singor at night. Our escorted dive-bombers attacked enemy positions at Isangan, Sindaman and Singor, west of Sador.

Bougainville: Our air and light naval patrols attacked enemy positions in Empress Augusta Bay and to the south. Air patrols by day attacked barges in Buks Passage and perimeter targets at Torokina, destroying the Puria River bridge.

At Tonolei Harbor gun positions and supply areas were strafed, causing fires.

25 Feb.

Admiralty Islands: Our reconnaissance (Please turn to Page 798)



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CIMINO—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 24 Feb. 1944, to T.Sgt. and Mrs. Louis F. Cimino, Inf., a daughter.

DUVAL—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 27 Feb. 1944, to M.Sgt. and Mrs. Alcide Duval, DEMU, a daughter.

FITZHUGH—Born at New York Hospital, New York City, 21 Feb. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. William W. Fitzhugh, Jr., USNR, a daughter, Priscilla Starr.

FRASER—Born at Phoebe Putney Hospital, Albany, Ga., 4 Feb. 1944, to Maj. and Mrs. Douglas Haig Fraser, USA, a daughter, Beverly Lynn.

HARLEY—Born at St. Clare's Hospital, New York City, 17 Feb. 1944, to Ens. and Mrs. John C. Harley, a son, John Cartwright Harley, Jr.

HOLMES—Born at LeRoy Sanitarium, New York, N. Y., 25 Feb. 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Holmes, Jr., a daughter, Carolyn Colinson, granddaughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Carl A. Miller, USA.

LOPEZ—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 23 Feb. 1944, to S.Sgt. and Mrs. Henry D. Lopez, QMC, a daughter.

LUKESH—Born at Post Hospital, Fort Monmouth, N. J., 18 Feb. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Joseph S. Lukesh, a son, Peter Hunt Lukesh, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Blackman of Brookline, Mass., and Col. and Mrs. Gustave R. Lukesh of San Gabriel, Calif.

McMAHON—Born in Cleveland, Ohio, 25 Feb. 1944, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. Robert E. McMahon, MC, a daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, granddaughter of Mrs. Anna McMahon of Bounton, N. J., and Brig. Gen. Frank P. Lahm, USA-ret. Colonel McMahon is on duty overseas.

MCSORLEY—Born at Brook's Memorial Hospital, Dunkirk, N. Y., 17 Jan. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. John W. McSorley, AC, a daughter.

MILLER—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 29 Feb. 1944, to S.Sgt. and Mrs. Warren M. Miller, CE, a son.

MILLER—Born at the AAF Regional Station Hospital, Tinker Field, Oklahoma City, Okla., 27 Feb. 1944, to CWO and Mrs. R. K. Miller, USA, a daughter, Bonnie Jeanne.

NOVAK—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 25 Feb. 1944, to Maj. and Mrs. Leo C. Novak, CE, a daughter.

OMAN—Born in Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., 22 Feb. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. William M. Oman, USNR, a son, Charles McMaster.

PEARCE—Born at Seattle, Wash., 17 Feb. 1944, to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Richard Inman Pearce, USNR, a son, Stuart Pottman.

REAVES—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 25 Feb. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Richard W. Reaves, Ord., a daughter.

ROERIG—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 25 Feb. 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Richard N. Roerig, Sn., a son.

ROSE—Born in Muhlenberg Hospital, Plainfield, N. J., 13 Feb. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Charles Homer Rose, Jr., a son, Charles Homer 3d., great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Stevens, nephew of S.Sgt. John K. L. Peterson, USAFF overseas and of Lt. Robert A. M. Peterson, The Ordnance School, Aberdeen, Md.

RUBINS—Born at Coronado, Calif., 22 Feb. 1944, to Comdr. and Mrs. J. R. Rubina, USN, a son, Joseph Russell Rubina, 2d.

SHAW—Born at Physician's Hospital, Warrenton, Va., 22 Feb. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Alan West Shaw, Jr., USNR, a son, Alan West Shaw, 3d.

SMITH—Born at St. Edward's Mercy Hospital, Fort Smith, Ark., 12 Feb. 1944, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. W. W. Smith, Jr., a daughter, Elizabeth Jean.

SMITH—Born at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 19 Feb. 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. James Provost Smith, AAF, a son, James Provost Smith, Jr.

SMITH—Born at Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, Va., 21 Feb. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Oscar Stanley Smith, AUS, a daughter, Stephanie Judy Smith.

STEIN—Born in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 23 Feb. 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Milton R. Stein, MC, a daughter.

SUDER—Born at Elkins City Hospital, Elkins, W. Va., 2 Feb. 1944, to Cpl. and Mrs. Thomas L. Suder, CAC, a daughter, Beverly Bruce Suder.

THOMPSON—Born at James B. Ackerson Maternity House, General Hospital, Passaic, N. J., 17 Feb. 1944, to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. William M. Thompson, a son, William.

UHL—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 27 Feb. 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Edward G. Uhl, Ord. Dept., a daughter.

VAN DERVEER—Born in Mountain View, Calif., 15 Feb. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Robert S. VanDerveer, USNR, a daughter, Virginia.

VAN WAGONER—Born at Highland Sanitarium, Wagoner, La., 3 Feb. 1944, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. Frank H. Van Wagoner, MC, USA, a daughter, Helen Elizabeth.

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ALFORD-WHITESELL—Married in Calvary Methodist Church, East Orange, N. J., 26 Feb. 1944, Ens. Janet Frances Whitesell, USNR, to Lt. Leonard Bertram Alford, USNR.

Births • Marriages • Deaths

(No charge for service announcements. Please notify promptly.)

AMES-BARLOW—Married in the Park Place Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va., 19 Feb. 1944, Miss Mattie Lou Barlow, to Comdr. Fred Floyd Ames, USNR.

AREINOFF-GOTTESMAN—Married in Mt. Vernon, N. Y., 27 Feb. 1944, Miss Helen Gottesman, to Lt. Walter Areinoff, D. C.

BENTLEY-POWELL—Married in First Presbyterian Church, New York City, 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Charlotte Marie Fowler, to Lt. Robert Asa Lincoln Bentley, USNR.

BROWN-MEIGS—Married in St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C., 28 Feb. 1944, Miss Sarah Tyler Meigs, to Lt. Thornton Brown, (MC) USNR.

BYRNE-O'CONNOR—Married in the Roman Catholic Church of St. Catherine of Genoa, New York, N. Y., 27 Feb. 1944, Miss Winifred R. O'Connor, to Lt. Joseph A. Byrne, Jr., AUS.

CAMM-LITTLEFORD—Married in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Ft. Thomas, Ky., 9 Feb. 1944, Miss Mildred Brooks Littleford, to Lt. William Taylor Camm, AAF, son of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Frank Camm, USA.

CARLSON-WHYTE—Married in Union Congregational Church, LaJolla, Calif., 29 Feb. 1944, Mrs. Peggy Tatum Whyte to Lt. Col. Evans Fordyce Carlson, USMC.

CARROW-DUER—Married in Epworth Methodist Church, Norfolk, Va., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Mary Comfort Duer, to Capt. William George Carrow, 3d, USA.

CLARK-AYCING—Married in the chantry of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, New York, 27 Feb. 1944, Miss Catherine Aycing, to Ens. Jocelyn Clark, USNR.

COKEFAIR-COLBURN—Married in St. James' Episcopal Church, Upper Montclair, N. J., 28 Feb. 1944, Miss Priscilla Bradford Colburn, to Ens. John Peter Cokefair, USNR.

COLE-HOLDEN—Married at Great Neck, L. I., N. Y., 24 Feb. 1944, Miss Jean Holden, to Ens. Thomas Earl Cole, USNR.

COOK-THOMPSON—Married in Ivy Chapel of Morrow Memorial Church, Maplewood, N. J., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Barbara Jean Hutton Thompson, to Lt. Robert Walter Cook, AUS.

DODDRIE-SHAW—Married in St. Mark's Cathedral, London, 20 Jan. 1944, Lt. Col. David E. Doddridge, AAF, finance officer, to Miss Eleanor Rose Shaw.

EICHORN-DANZ—Married in the rectory of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York City, 19 Feb. 1944, Miss Dorothy Ann Danz, to Lt. John C. Eichorn, AUS.

EWING-SMITH—Married in the post chapel, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., 17 Feb. 1944, Lt. Martha Amelia Smith, ANC, to Lt. Robley Brewer Ewing, Jr., MAC.

FIELDS-BLOCK—Married in Los Angeles, Calif., 19 Feb. 1944, Mrs. Marjorie Coleman Block, to Lt. Joseph A. Fields, USMCR.

FORD-HANNA—Married in the chapel of the Naval Air Station, Weeksville, N. C., 13 Feb. 1944, Miss Margaret Hanna, to Lt. (jg) William Curtis Ford, USNR.

FRENCH-COOK—Married in Richmond, Va., 22 Feb. 1944, Miss Margaret Elizabeth Cook, to Lt. Comdr. John T. French, USNR.

FULNECKY-DEVEREAUX—Married in the chapel, Naval Base, Quonset, R. I., 25 Feb. 1944, Miss Jean Olive Devereaux, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. John J. Devereaux to Lt. (jg) John R. Fulnecky, USNR.

GAMBLE-LONG—Married in Francis Asbury Methodist Church, Washington, D. C., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Edith Frances Long, to Lt. Allen Owen Gamble, USNR.

GARDNER-KOBUSCH—Married in the Leslie Lindsey Chapel, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Boston, Mass., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Susan B. Kobusch, to Ens. John Lowell Gardner, USNR.

GREEN-KEEN—Married in Hitchcock Memorial Church, Scarsdale, N. Y., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Phyllis Keen, to Ens. Donat O'Brien Green, USNR.

HARTMAN-FRANKEL—Married in New York City, 27 Feb. 1944, Miss Joyce Delwyn Frankel, to Lt. Daniel Lincoln Hartman, (MC) USNR.

HOLDEN-BLAND—Married in the Post Chapel, Fort Hamilton, N. Y., 22 Feb. 1944, Miss Josephine Bland, to Lt. Nelson Miles Holden, Jr., AUS.

JACOB-ASMAN—Married in St. Aedan's Church, New Haven, Conn., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Gretchen Mary Asman, to Ens. Henry George Jacob, Jr., USNR.

JOHNSON-CARLOSS—Married in St. John's Methodist Church, Memphis, Tenn., 15 Feb. 1944, Miss Margaret Jeanne Carloss, to Ens. Orin Rufus Johnson, Jr., USNR.

JOY-FOSTER—Married in Washington, D. C., recently, Miss Margaret Lucille Foster, to Lt. (jg) Bernard F. Joy, Jr., USNR.

MacGRATH-ANDERSON—Married in Trinity Episcopal Church, Princeton, N. J., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Margaret Cleland Anderson, to Lt. Charles Richard MacGrath, AAF, son of Col. and Mrs. Charles Halsey MacGrath, AAF.

MALLISON-BRADLEY—Married in St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C., 29 Feb. 1944, Miss Mary Katherine Bradley, to Ens. Percy Warner Mallison, USNR, son of Capt. and Mrs. W. T. Mallison, USN.

MARTIN-BOND—Married in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Meadowbrook, Va., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Marie Glover Bond, to Lt. Charles Taylor Martin, Jr., USN.

MECHEM-NORTON—Married in the Village Church, Annisquam, Mass., 27 Feb. 1944, Miss Jean Bradbury Norton, to Ens. Richard Watson Mechem, USNR, son of Col. and Mrs. John C. Mechem.

MILLER-CALLICOTT—Married in Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, Chevy Chase,

Md., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Patsy Ruth Callicott, to Ens. John Frank Miller, 3d, USNR.

MILLER-LEROY—Married in the Post Chapel, Fort Benning, Ga., 19 Feb. 1944, Miss Catherine E. LeRoy, to Capt. Paul L. Miller.

NELSON-HAYES—Married in Gunton Temple Memorial Presbyterian Church, Washington, D. C., 13 Feb. 1944, Miss Betty Hayes, daughter of Comdr. and Mrs. Ralph S. Hayes, USN, to Lt. Charles Earl Nelson, USN.

NEWBOLD-HENSHALL—Married in the chapel, Maxwell Field, Ala., 27 Feb. 1944, Miss Mary Bramell Henshall, to Lt. William Charles Newbold, AAF.

OSTRIN-FFEEFER—Married in the Post Chapel, Fort Lewis, Wash., 23 Jan. 1944, Lt. Lorraine Belle Pfeffer, ANC, to Lt. Benjamin B. Ostrin, AUS.

PEELLE-BARLOW—Married in the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church, Plainfield, N. J., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Jean Lewis Barlow, to Ens. William Ravenel Peelle, USCG.

PELTON-DAVIS—Married in the First Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md., 25 Feb. 1944, Miss Emily M. Davis, to Lt. John F. Pelton, USA.

PIERCE-MOE—Married in St. Anastasia's Church, Teaneck, N. J., 24 Feb. 1944, Miss Shirley Marie Moe, to Ens. Charles Emmett Pierce, USNR, now stationed in New Orleans, La.

PLUME-HAZARD—Married in St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Teaneck, N. J., 22 Feb. 1944, Miss Phyllis Hazard, to Lt. Clarence A. Plume, Jr., AUS.

POPE-KERR—Married in Sage Chapel, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., 28 Feb. 1944, Miss Virginia Schuyler Kerr, to Ens. Jackson Rinn Pope, USNR.

SCAMMEL-SIMON—Married in the chapel, Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Ga., 23 Feb. 1944, 2nd Lt. Gladys Simon, ANC, to 1st Lt. Victor C. Scammel, AAF.

SHEARN-MORGAN—Married in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, New York, N. Y., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Margaret Elizabeth Morgan, to Lt. (jg) Robert W. Shearn, USNR.

SILVER-DEAN—Married in Christ Episcopal Church, Oyster Bay, Long Island, N. Y., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Dorothy Dean to Lt. Charles Warren Silver, USNR.

SNYDER-TUTTLE—Married in Larchmont, N. Y., 25 Feb. 1944, Miss Ellen Grant Tuttle, to Lt. Arthur Leigh Snyder, AAF.

VANDERBILT-SMITH—Married in Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York City, 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Dorian Smith to Ens. Walter Scott Vanderbilt, Jr., USNR.

WELLS-McCONNELL—Married at Somerset, Pa., 28 Dec. 1943, Ens. Carolyn Lower McConnell, USNR, to Lt. Tom Henderson Wells, USN.

WHITE-VAN PATTEN—Married in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Meadowbrook, Va., 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Lucella McClain Van Patten, to Ens. Thomas Joseph White, USNR.

WILLIAMS-GRIFFITH—Married in the University of Virginia Chapel, Charlottesville, Va., 28 Feb. 1944, Miss Mary Elizabeth Griffith to Ens. Richard E. Williams, USNR.

WOOD-STOKES—Married in San Antonio, Texas, 26 Feb. 1944, Miss Mary Virginia Stokes, to AC Robert A. Wood, AAF.

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ALLEN—Died in Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., 27 Feb. 1944, Lt. (jg) Henry A. Allen, Jr., USNR.

ALLMENDINGER—Died in plane crash near Boise, Idaho, 27 Feb. 1944, 2nd Lt. Robert Charles Allmendinger, AAF.

ANDREWS—Killed in plane crash near Walnut Ridge, Ark., 23 Feb. 1944, AC John Rankin Andrews, brother of S.Sgt. James A. Andrews, Jr., Pvt. J. L. Andrews, and Cpl. Alice Andrews Rutherford, WAC.

BOWLEY—Died at West Point, New York, 1 March 1944, Col. Freeman W. Bowley, USA, ret. Survived by his widow, Mrs. Elsie Johnson Bowley; three sons, Lts. Albert John Bowley and Freeman W. Bowley, Jr., AAF, and AC Cadet William T. Bowley; a daughter, Miss Elizabeth Bowley, and one brother, Lt. Gen. Albert J. Bowley, USA, ret.

BUTTERFIELD—Died at Naval Hospital, Annapolis, Md., 1 March 1944, as the result of injuries received in a fall, Mrs. Ralph E. Butterfield, wife of Captain Butterfield, USNA 1922. Survived by her husband and five children, Patricia, Linda, Ralph E., Daniel and David, a sister, Mrs. Frank Shamer, wife of Lt. Comdr. Shamer, USN, on submarine duty, and a brother, Lt. Col. Marvin Iseley, USA. The funeral will be held on 6 March at the Naval Academy Chapel with burial in the Naval Academy Cemetery.

CAHILL—Died in New York City, 22 Feb. 1944, Frank E. Cahill, father of Maj. Frank E. Cahill, Jr., USA.

CARPENTER—Killed in bomber crash near Chester, S. C., 25 Feb. 1944, 2nd Lt. Joseph N. Carpenter of Greenwich, Conn.

COLE—Killed in action over Europe, recently, 2nd Lt. Edward H. Cole, AAF.

COMPTON—Killed in action in Europe, 9 Feb. 1944, Lt. Eno Compton, AC, USA. Survived by his widow, Mrs. Georgette Kenyon Compton.

DRISCHLER—Died at the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md., 26 Feb. 1944, Capt. Carl Steier Drischler, USN, ret., on duty in the Bureau of Ships, Navy Department, until his death. Survived by his wife, Mrs. Rebecca L. Drischler, 605 North View Terrace, Alexandria, Va.

EBBITT—Killed in plane crash, at sea near Atlantic City, N. J., 28 Feb. 1944, Lt. (jg) Walter D. Ebbitt, Jr., USNR.

FLAHERTY—Died in Emergency Hospital, Washington, D. C., 25 Feb. 1944, Mrs. Mary Rose Ellen Flaherty, mother of Lt. Comdr. James W. Flaherty, USN, and Capt. E. J. Flaherty, USMC.

FOY—Died at Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., 6 Feb. 1944, Brig. Gen. Robert C. Foy, USA, ret. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Helene Hummel Foy.

GARDINER—Died at Mount Alto Hospital, Washington, D. C., 20 Feb. 1944, 1st Lt. Robert Nelson Gardiner, MC, USA, ret.

GEARING—Died at U. S. Naval Training Station, San Diego, Calif., 24 Feb. 1944, Capt. Henry Chalfant Gearing, Jr., USN, son of Mrs. H. C. Gearing and the late Commander Gearing, USN ret. He is survived by his widow, a son, Ens. Lucien B. Gearing, USNR, and his ten year old daughter, Persia. Also survived by two brothers, Capt. Hilyear Gearing, USN, and Comdr. Wallis Gearing, USN, ret., and a sister, Mrs. Thomas Foley of Washington, D. C.

GERARD—Died in Doctor's Hospital, New York City, 26 Feb. 1944, Julian M. Gerard, father of Lt. Julian M. Gerard, Jr., USA.

HARTIGAN—Died at Palo Alto, Calif., 25 Feb. 1944, Rear Adm. Charles Conway Hartigan, USN. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Margaret Thompson Hartigan, a daughter, Mrs. James A. Barton, of Washington, D. C., and a son, Lt. B. C. Hartigan, USN.

HUDGINS—Died in Alexandria, Va., 25 Feb. 1944, Charles E. Hudgins, father of Capt. R. P. Hudgins, USMC, and Cpl. John H. Hudgins, USA.

KLARNET—Died in New York City, 24 Feb. 1944, Isaac Klarnet, father of Lt. Leonard Klarnet, USA.

LEWIS—Died in Washington, D. C., 1 March 1944, Fulton Lewis, Jr., father of Col. Millard Lewis, AAF.

LIGON—Died in plane crash, near McDill Field, Tampa, Fla., 29 Feb. 1944, Lt. John F. Ligon, Jr., AAF.

METTEL—Killed in bomber crash, near Chester, S. C., 25 Feb. 1944, 1st Lt. William P. Mettel, Jr., of Aurora, Ill.

MONCURE—Died 28 Feb. 1944, at Pittsburgh, Pa., Mrs. Caroline Pemberton Moncure, mother of Comdr. Samuel P. Moncure, USN, Lt. Richard W. Moncure, USNR, and Sgt. William A. Moncure, AUS.

MOSELEY—Killed in action in Italy, 26 Jan. 1944, Lt. Col. Eugene L. Moseley, USA, Class of 1929, USMA, son of Col. Robert L. Moseley, USA, ret. Also survived by his wife, Mrs. Barbara Foster Moseley, Winter Park, Fla., and four children.

MYER—Died at Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Md., 23 Feb. 1944, Capt. Clifford Placide Myer, USMC, ret. Survived by his widow, Mrs. Marie W. Myer, 3400 block, 16th St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

PORTER—Died in the Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa., 25 Feb. 1944, Maj. Gen. David Dixon Porter, USMC, ret., son of the late Col. Carille Porter, USMC, and grandson of Admiral David Dixon Porter, USN. He is survived by his widow, and a daughter, Miss Carille Porter, both of Philadelphia.

RHODES—Died as the result of a bomber crash near Chester, S. C., 25 Feb. 1944, S.Sgt. Aaron J. Rhodes, Philadelphia, Pa.

SCHWAB—Died in plane crash at Naval Base, Memphis, Tenn., 29 Feb. 1944, AC Richard True Schwab, USNR.

SNYDER—Died at sea of natural causes, 15 Feb. 1944, Comdr. George White Snyder, 3d, USN. Survived by his widow, Mrs. Frances Brown Snyder, of 2504 South 20th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

SPERRY—Killed in action over Europe, 11 Jan. 1944, 1st Lt. Richard H. Sperry, AAF.

STEWART—Died at St. Vincent's Hospital, New York City, 23 Feb. 1944, Mrs. Barbara Laura Stewart, wife of Capt. Nell M. Stewart, USA, ret.

VREELAND—Died at Orange Memorial Hospital, Orange, N. J., 25 Feb. 1944, Miss Elizabeth Louise Vreeland, daughter of Maj. and Mrs. Albert L. Vreeland.

OBITUARIES

Funeral services for Brig. Gen. Robert C. Foy, GS, USA-ret., who died 6 Feb., were held in the Fort Sam Houston chapel with Chaplin J. Stuart Pearce officiating. Interment was in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery with full military honors.

General Foy graduated from West Point in 1899 and his first assignment was with the 8th Infantry in Cuba and in 1902 and 1903 he was in the Philippines.

He served along the Mexican border in 1912 and 1913 and again in 1916. During World War I he organized the 332nd Field Artillery at Camp Grant, Ill., and took the regiment overseas in September, 1918.

General Foy commanded the 15th Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston in 1920 and took the 17th Field Artillery to Fort Bragg, N. C., in 1921.

The last of his several tours of duty in Texas was served at Fort Sam Houston as a

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brigadier general in command of the 2nd Field Artillery Brigade from March, 1935, to March, 1937. From here he was sent to Hawaii, his last station before his retirement in 1939.

Since his retirement he has made his home at Boerne.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Helene Hummel Foy, 117 W. Elsmere Place, San Antonio, Texas.

Funeral services for Maj. Gen. David Dixon Porter, USMC-Ret., former Adjutant and Inspector of the USMC, who died in Philadelphia on 25 Feb. 1944, were conducted at St. John's Church, Washington, D. C., 29 Feb. Burial was in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors.

Major General Porter was awarded the Medal of Honor, for "extraordinary heroism" during a battle against Philippine insurgents on 17 Nov. 1901, when Marines scaled a cliff, in face of the enemy, and routed the insurgents from several strongholds in the Philippine mountains.

Born 29 Apr. 1877, Major General Porter was appointed a second Lieutenant in 1898. He served in the Spanish American War, in the Philippines, in the Boxer Rebellion in China, and in Panama, and Cuba. During World War I, he was on duty in the Adjutant and Inspector Department, Marine Corps Headquarters.

On 1 Nov. 1934, he was appointed Adjutant and Inspector of the Corps, with the rank of brigadier general. He retired, with the rank of major general 1 Mar. 1937. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Winifred M. Porter, 1530 Locust Street, Philadelphia.

Besides the Medal of Honor, Major General Porter held the Brevet Medal, Spanish Campaign Medal, Philippines Campaign Medal, Cuban Campaign Medal, China Campaign Medal, Victory Medal, Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal, and a special letter of commendation, from the Secretary of the Navy, for World War service.

Mrs. Barbara Laura Stewart, 64 years, 330 Rae Avenue, Hawthorne, N. J., wife of Capt. Nell M. Stewart, USA-Ret., died 23 Feb. in the Spellman Pavillion of St. Vincent's Hospital, New York City, after a short illness.

Mrs. Stewart, the former Barbara Kratochvil of 25-12 Crescent Street, Astoria, where she lived with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kratochvil, for many years, was born in Manhattan and attended Long Island City High School. After her marriage, she resided at Fort Michie, N. Y., for three years; Fisher's Island, N. Y., Vancouver Barracks, Vancouver, Washington, and Fort Totten, Bayside, L. I.

Upon her husband's retirement, she took up residence in Hawthorne, N. J.

Besides her husband, she leaves four children, Mrs. Margaret Stewart Stevens of New York City; Mrs. Marjorie Stewart Bochen of Linden, N. J.; Hector M. Stewart, USAAF; and Joseph E. Greenidge of Astoria, L. I., New York.

She is also survived by two brothers, Richard and Joseph Kratochvil, the latter of Elberton, N. J., and four sisters, Mrs. Elvira Kennedy of Wildwood, N. J.; Mrs. Adele Misenheimer of New York City; Mrs. Helen Greenidge and Miss Pauline Kratochvil, of Astoria, L. I.

Since the war Captain Stewart has been attached as purchasing agent to the South Baltimore General Hospital.

Funeral services were held 26 Feb. from the Universal Funeral Chapel, New York City, with a solemn high mass at St. Francis Xavier R. C. Church, Manhattan. Interment followed

in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

Funeral services for the late Capt. Carl Steier Drischler, USN-Ret., who died of natural causes at the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md., on 26 Feb. 1944, were held at the Fort Myer Chapel Tuesday, 29 Feb. Capt. S. W. Salisbury, (CC) USN, officiated and the services were followed by interment in the Arlington National Cemetery. Full military honors were rendered.

Captain Drischler was on duty in the Bureau of Ships, Navy Department, until his death. His widow, Mrs. Rebecca L. Drischler, lives at 605 North View Terrace, Alexandria, Va.

Captain Drischler was born in New York City 3 Aug. 1897. He was graduated from the United States Naval Academy on 2 June 1921, and for the next four years, served on the USS Maryland and USS Maury. After completing a post graduate course in engineering, he served for four years as engineering officer for a number of destroyer squadrons. A short tour of duty at the Destroyer Base, San Diego, was followed by three years of service on the USS San Francisco. In 1937, he was ordered to duty in the Bureau of Ships, then called the Bureau of Engineering. At the time of his death, he was assistant head of the Scheduling and Statistics Section. Honorary pallbearers for the funeral services were: Rear Adm. Earle W. Mills, USN; Capt. Paul F. Lee, USN; Capt. Charles D. Wheelock, USN; Capt. William V. Hamilton, USN; Capt. Logan McKee, USN, and Lt. (jg) Richard W. Kellogg, USNR.

Rear Adm. Charles Conway Hartigan, USN, died 25 Feb. at Palo Alto, Calif. His age was 62.

He had been in ill health since 7 Dec. 1941, when he was stricken with a heart attack in his office in the Navy Department at Washington. Four months ago he went to Palo Alto to recuperate.

Admiral Hartigan, born in Norwich, N. Y., was graduated from Annapolis in 1906. He received the Congressional Medal in 1914 after serving in the Vera Cruz campaign. He served three years, from 1929 to 1932 as naval attache in China.

He leaves a widow, the former Margaret Thompson of San Francisco and sister of Mrs. Norris; a son, Lt. B. C. Hartigan, now serving with the Navy and a daughter, Mrs. James A. Barton of Washington, who went to Palo Alto with her father.

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units bombed enemy installations.

New Ireland: Our Solomons air patrols raided installations at Katherine and Labur bays in New Ireland, Duke of York Island and Cape St. George.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons medium units and fighters dropped thirty-three tons of bombs on Keravat, Vanakana and Vanapope supply areas, causing fires. No enemy planes were met in the air.

Rein Bay: Our heavy and medium units attacked enemy installations at Iboki plantation with 107 tons of bombs, starting fires.

New Guinea: Wewak: Our escorted heavy units dropped sixty tons of bombs on enemy aircraft positions, causing explosions and fires.

Hansa Bay: Our dive-bombers and fighters attacked Nubia airdrome, gun positions and shore villages, causing numerous explosions and fires. Our heavy units bombed installations on Manam Island.

Madang: Our air patrols attacked targets in the vicinity of Wagol plantation and bombed villages on Karkar Island.

Saidor: Our ground forces have occupied

Teterel and Sein villages.

Bougainville: Our air patrols raided Boka Island, Ruri Bay and Bonis, and sank two barges in Matchin Bay. Our dive-bombers struck Kuralo mission and heavy units bombed bivouac areas at the Sava River. Our air and ship patrols destroyed or damaged four barges off the Nibo River and bombed shore installations.

26 Feb.

Northwestern Sector: Timor: Our long-range fighters strafed villages and enemy positions near Macobesi Bay on the south coast.

Ceram Sea: Our heavy units damaged a 3,000-ton freighter transport, southeast of Misool Island.

Northwestern Sector: Admiralty Island: Our air patrols on successive days bombed the Lorengau and Momote airdromes and supply areas.

New Ireland: New Hanover: One of our medium reconnaissance units bombed and strafed a 6,000-ton enemy freighter off New Hanover, leaving it afire and sinking.

Kavieng: In a dawn attack our naval units from the South Pacific fleet bombed shipping and installations. Air observers report one vessel sunk with two others left burning and several harbor craft hit. Enemy shore batteries were silenced and fires were started in supply areas.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons air force struck the weakening enemy base with 100 tons of explosives on supply areas at the Tobera and Keravat airdromes. Rabaul town, ship, Cape Gazelle, Jalau River and supply areas at Vanapope. Heavy damage was caused. An ammunition dump was blown up, a power plant destroyed, many fires started, and numerous buildings demolished by forty direct hits. There was no attempt at interception.

Gasmata area: Our attack planes bombed and strafed enemy installations south of Commodore Bay, while our long range fighters destroyed a number of barges and silenced gun positions at Ulamona and strafed twelve barges at Tauwail Bay. On the south coast our air patrols attacked barges and shore targets between Jacquinot Bay and Gasmata.

New Guinea: Wewak: Our medium units and attack planes struck airdromes and installations on successive days with eighty-six tons of bombs, causing extensive damage. Ten aircraft were destroyed and thirteen were damaged on the ground. At least four gun positions were silenced and large fires started. Ten barges in the harbor were destroyed or damaged. There was no interception. One of our night patrols bombed Muschu Island.

Hansa Bay: Our heavy units struck gun positions at Nubia with over fifty-three tons of bombs. Low clouds prevented observation of results.

Madang coast: Our heavy units bombed installations on Karkar Island and attacked the airdrome, supply and personnel areas at Madang and Alexishafen, destroying a parked bomber.

Saidor: Our ground forces have occupied Bilaul, Warai and Sindaman villages.

Bougainville: Our air patrols attacked targets of opportunity on the southwest coast starting fires near Bonis.

27 Feb.

Northwestern Sector: Banda Sea: Our heavy units bombed Banda Neira in the Banda Islands and the jetty at Saumlakki, causing fires.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Kavieng Area: Our Solomons naval units at night sank a large cargo vessel off New Hanover and destroyed a 1,000-ton cargo ship and two coastal vessels in Steffens Strait. Our air patrols set fire to a coastal vessel by strafing and shot down an enemy bomber.

New Britain: Rabaul: Preceded by a damaging pre-dawn naval bombardment of harbor installations, our Solomons escorted medium and heavy units attacked the Rapopo airdrome and Matupi gun positions at midday with 112 tons of bombs. Hits were seen on the runway, in the dispersal areas and near gun positions, causing much damage. There was no air opposition. Near Commodore Bay our attack planes bombed and

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strated Silange village and adjacent tracks. Admiralty Islands: Our medium units bombed and strafed Lorengau and Momote airdromes from a minimum altitude without opposition.

New Guinea: Wewak: Our heavy and medium units continued the attack on the enemy base, dropping 102 tons of bombs on Boram airdrome and neighboring defense installations, resulting in explosions and many fires. Three parked aircraft and a heavy anti-aircraft battery were destroyed.

Madang Coast: Our medium units and dive-bombers struck the airdrome and supply and bivouac areas at Madang and Alexishafen, causing fires. Our air patrols bombed Karkar Island and strafed small parties of enemy troops east of Bogadjim, causing many casualties. Our light naval units at night destroyed six enemy barges.

Feni Islands: Our Solomons fighters damaged two enemy barges. Bougainville: Our torpedo and dive-bombers twice attacked enemy positions northwest of the Torokina perimeter with good effect. Our air patrols attacked enemy positions on the southwest coast, at Koromira Point and Buka. Our light naval units at night shelled targets along the west coast of Buka.

28 Feb.

Northwestern Sector: Sumba Island: Our heavy units at midday dropped eighteen tons of bombs on enemy installations at Waingapu, causing fires.

Northeastern Sector: Admiralty Islands: Our heavy units attacked enemy supply and bivouac areas at Lorangau township and Momote airdrome with thirty-six tons of explosives.

New Britain: Rabaul: Following a night harassing raid our bombers and fighters from the Solomons at midday dropped 164 tons of explosives on enemy supply and bivouac areas at Vunapope. Fourteen barges, four jetties and an ammunition dump were destroyed or damaged. Pilots report very heavy destruction among warehouses and buildings, with accompanying large fires. There was no interception. We lost one plane. Solomons air patrols sank a small cargo ship and two barges off Duke of York Island.

New Guinea: Wewak: Our escorted heavy units at midday dropped eighty tons of bombs on But and Dagua airfields, causing large fires and destroying five parked planes with four others probably. To the west at Alitape, other heavy bombers struck Tadij airdrome and dispersal areas with seventy-three tons, destroying or damaging eighteen planes caught on the ground. Our night air patrols bombed enemy barracks on Muschu Island.

Madang Coast: Our escorted heavy units, dive bombers and attack planes, in separate raids, struck enemy airdromes and installations at Madang and Alexishafen. Two bombers were destroyed on the ground and a gun position silenced. In the harbor a barge and coastal vessel were set afire.

Saidor: Elements of our ground forces have advanced through Dagur and Singor, reaching Kepler Point. Our light naval units at night destroyed an enemy barge.

Bougainville: Our torpedo-bombers and air patrols by day bombed and strafed enemy positions in the Empress Augusta Bay area and to the south. Our night air patrols attacked barges at the Jaba River and targets of opportunity at Motupena Point, Shortland Islands and northwest Buka.

29 Feb.

Northwestern Sector: Reconnaissance ac-

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Northeastern Sector: Admiralty Islands: We have landed in the Admiralty Islands which stand at the northern entrance to Bismarck Sea almost due south of Guam and 1,300 miles from the Philippines. Elements of the First Cavalry Division, dismounted, were put ashore from destroyers in the early forenoon covered by naval and air bombardment.

The enemy's surprise was complete. Momote airfield is in our hands and the enemy's resistance was rapidly overcome.

This marks a final stage in the great swing move pivoting on New Guinea, which has been the basic purpose of operations initiated June 26, 1943, when the Southwest Pacific and South Pacific were united under General MacArthur's command. The axis of advance has thereby been changed from the north to the west.

This relieves our supply line of the constant threat of flank attack which had been present since the beginning of the Papuan campaign. This line, previously so precariously exposed, is now firmly secured not only

by air coverage but by our own front to which it is perpendicular.

The operation has been a delicate one and its final success lays a strategically firm foundation for the future. Technically, it tightens the blockade of the enemy's remaining bases. Their supply lines are definitely and conclusively severed and only a minimum of blockade-running by submarine or individual surface craft is now possible.

In addition to troops trapped in the Solomons, some 50,000 of the enemy, largely in New Britain and at Rabaul, are now enclosed. Their situation has become precarious and their ultimate fate is certain under blockade, bombardment and increasing pressure of besieging ground forces. The end of the Bismarck campaign is now clearly in sight with a minimum of loss to ourselves.

New Ireland: Our air patrols bombed and strafed installations at Cape St. George and Boropop airdrome, scoring direct hits on gun positions and starting fires. An enemy float plane was shot down off the coast.

New Britain: Rabaul: Following a pre-dawn harassing attack, our Solomons-based

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bombers and fighters at midday dropped 161 tons of bombs on installations at Lakunai and Vunapope. Eight gun positions were destroyed or damaged and two harbor craft were sunk. Smoke from explosions and fires was visible sixty miles. There was no interception. Over 100 buildings and warehouses in the Vunapope area have been destroyed by our recent attacks.

Cape Hoskins: Our air patrols shot down an enemy bomber and destroyed a parked fighter in the airdrome. Along the north coast they strafed villages, destroyed five small craft and damaged a coastal vessel. Over Cape Orford a Solomons-based air patrol shot down an enemy float plane.

New Guinea: Wewak: Our heavy units at midday dropped fifty-three tons of bombs on supply and bivouac areas at Boram, causing large explosions and fires.

Hausa Bay: Our escorted heavy, medium

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Industry as well as the Army is concerned over the President's direction to Selective Service to review the nearly 5 million men deferred for occupational reason. Mr. Roosevelt especially asked that attention be paid to the 930,000 non-fathers under 26 years of age now in industry and agriculture. Simultaneously, the Senate Military Affairs Committee was hearing Secretary Knox testify that a National Service bill should be passed to provide insurance against "a slump in production that might seriously imperil our fighting in the Pacific." The Secretary insisted that our production must be even greater this year than in 1943, because we will be fighting mightier bat-

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ties with heavier losses, in every quarter of the Globe. He expressed concern over the excessive switching from jobs to jobs, the average quit rate being 5 per cent per month or more than 9 million job vacancies. In spite of Administration pressure for the National Service Law, admittedly there is no chance of its enactment at this session. Organized Labor is vigorously opposing it, and Farmers are pointing out that if they are to be regimented in man power further than is now the case, they will be unable to plant and reap the crops to feed not only the United States, but our Allies and the populations of reconquered countries.

Workers will be needed not only for war production but for the production of civilian goods after the war shall end. If the present Administration be continued in power as a result of the November elections, the frank statement is made that government controls of civilian goods manufacturing will be extended for the first three years of the peace period. Industrialists are insisting it would be a dangerous precedent to repress manufacturing and for the Government in peace time to continue allocations of materials as well as the distribution of man power which would be possible should the proposed National Service law be amended so as to extend beyond the war.

Congress and the Treasury Department are beginning the study of tax returns in order to provide for their simplification. The taxing committee of the two Houses that fashioned the tax act the President vetoed and which was enacted by Congress against his will, are resentful of the charge that they are responsible for the complex character of existing laws on this subject. They point out that every effort they made over the years to simplify the returns was opposed by the Treasury which feared the loss of revenue. Students of taxation assert this to be true, and further they point out that in the past four years, the President has

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asked for only \$25 billions additional taxes, whereas Congress has made enactments which will bring into the Treasury this year \$36 billions more than in 1941. If the President should be re-elected, there is no doubt he will ask for another tax bill in accordance with the statement he made when the war broke out, that there must be such a measure annually while the struggle lasted.

A bitter dispute has developed between the Oil Industry and Secretary of the Interior Ickes as a result of his action in approving the proposal for a pipe line of 1,250 miles length to connect oil fields on the Persian Gulf with the Mediterranean Sea, and to cost approximately \$135 millions. The Petroleum Industrial War Council, an organization of oil men, denies that the project would have any influence on the war effort, and insists that if it has any benefits then it should be built as a private enterprise. The Senate intends to make a thorough investigation to determine the possible advantages to arise from the construction of the pipe line and the effect of its operation upon our own production and that of Mexico and other oil producing nations of this Hemisphere.

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and attack bombers dropped 123 tons of bombs on airdromes, gun positions and supply areas. Runways were well covered, a parked plane destroyed and many fires started. Our fighter-bombers attacked Burul and adjacent villages on the Sepik River, destroying buildings.

Madang Coast: Our escorted dive bombers and heavy units attacked Madang and Alexishafen airdromes and near-by villages. Our air patrols bombed Karkar Island and strafed coastal villages and targets of opportunity, sinking two barges, damaging three others and starting fires in supply dumps.

Feni Islands: Our air patrols damaged two enemy barges.

Bougainville: Our air patrols and light naval units destroyed or damaged ten enemy barges off the southwest coast and bombed Teop Island and Buka airdrome. One of our naval vessels shelled enemy shore installations at the Mibo River.

HQ. EUROPEAN THEATER

25 Feb.
USAAF announced that strong forces of heavy bombers of the Eighth AAF, escorted by AAF and RAF fighters, today attacked aircraft works at Regensburg, the ballbearing works at Stuttgart and other targets in southwestern Germany.

All targets were deep inside Germany. The Regensburg mission required a round trip of more than 1,100 miles. Bombing was done visually and the crews reported good results.

Today was the fifth successive day German aircraft plants have been attacked in (Continued on Next Page)

Merchant Marine

Arrangements to provide clothing and uniforms for nearly 100 American merchant seamen interned in German prison camps have been made by the Red Cross and the War Shipping Administration, the latter announced late last week.

WSA pointed out that approximately 600 American seamen are now prisoners of war, of whom nearly 500 are in Japanese hands while the remainder are in Germany.

Award Ship Contracts

Awards of contracts for the construction of 100 additional cargo vessels of the C1-M-AV1 type (cargo ship of about 5,000 deadweight tons), and cancellation of a suspended contract for 119 Liberty Ships under which three had been completed, have been announced by the Maritime Commission.

The awards increased the number of C1-M-AV1 ships on order to 200. This increase was recommended by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Delivery of all of the new vessels is expected before the close of the first quarter of 1945, it was stated.

Transfer by charter of two additional coastal cargo vessels to the Polish Government brought the total of such ships allocated to Poland to five, the first of which is to be delivered shortly. The ships are of 2,847 deadweight tons and are of special design for coastal freighting.

The vessels will be manned by Polish crews under charter agreements with the WSA, but title to them remains vested in the United States.

Returns to Commission

Robert W. Horton, former director of public relations for the Maritime Commission and War Shipping Administration, has returned to that post to succeed Mr. Mark O'Dea, advertising executive, who recently resigned.

RCA Annual Report

Production by the Radio Corporation of America of vital radio, sound and electronic equipment for the armed forces of the United States and the United Nations increased in 1943 more than 100 per cent over 1942, it was disclosed in the Company's 24th Annual Report released this week by Col. David Sarnoff OR President of RCA.

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force by American heavy bombers.

U. S. STRATEGIC AF IN EUROPE 23 Feb.

The AAF destroyed 133 Nazi fighters in air battles 22 Feb. during combined operations of the Eighth and Fifteenth AF against aircraft industries and other targets deep inside Germany.

Of the total, heavy bombers based in the United Kingdom destroyed thirty-four and those based in Italy forty. AAF fighters from Britain shot down fifty-nine.

In three days of record-breaking operations aimed at destroying Germany's capacity to maintain aerial resistance, AAF planes have accounted for 310 enemy fighters. Of this number 153 were shot down by long-range fighters of the Eighth and Ninth AF and 117 by heavy bombers of the Eighth. Forty were destroyed by the Fifteenth AF bombers in Tuesday's combined operations. Other enemy aircraft were hit on aprons of factories and in parking areas.

In addition to targets already announced, the Fifteenth AF bombed railway yards at Petershausen on Tuesday. Italian-based heavy bombers also carried out diversionary attacks. Latest reports show that fifteen Italian-based aircraft were lost.

24 Feb.

Strong forces of heavy bombers of the Eighth AAF attacked aircraft factories at Gotha, a ball-bearing factory at Schweinfurt and other targets in Germany today.

AAF, RAF, Dominion and Allied fighters supported the attacking forces. The bombing marks the fourth day of the record-breaking air offensive against the German fighter aircraft industry and related plants.

Sunday, 20 Feb., the AAF attacked factories at Leipzig, Bernburg, Brunswick, Oschersleben and Tutow with the largest force of bombers ever sent over targets in daylight.

Monday, 21 Feb., in almost equal strength, the Eighth AAF bombed factories at Brunswick and aircraft parks and depots in northwest and central Germany, notably Diepholz, near Bremen.

Tuesday, 22 Feb., the attack continued in strength against important units of the aircraft industry at Bernburg, Aschersleben and Halberstadt, and at the same time the Fifteenth AAF operating from Italy under the direction of the United States Strategic AF in Europe, made a coordinated assault against factories at Regensburg.

Wednesday, 23 Feb., the Fifteenth American AF bombed factories at Steyr, Austria, which contributed to aircraft production.

Not only have these operations put in the air the greatest number of daylight bombers at one time, but they have employed the greatest forces of bombers to operate on four successive days in daylight over any target.

25 Feb.

The USAAF in the European Theatre of Operations announced that 156 enemy aircraft were destroyed by bombers and fighters of the Eighth and Fifteenth AF and fighters of the Ninth AAF in air battles over Germany Thursday.

Heavy bombers based in England destroyed eighty-three and British-based fighters thirty-seven. The Fifteenth Air Force in joint operations from bases in Italy shot down thirty-six German fighters.

A later communique: The Strategic AF for Europe announced that a full-scale offensive on fighter aircraft and related factories in Germany continued in force today for the fifth successive day.

Heavy bombers of the Eighth AF in very great strength attacked the Messerschmitt assembly factory and a major air frame components factory at Regensburg, the ball-bearing works at Stuttgart, the Messerschmitt assembly center and experimental station at Augsburg, and a major air frame components factory at Fuerth. Bombing results were good.

The Fifteenth AF from Italy joined in the attack on the factories at Regensburg in the third coordinated assault in four days against Germany from the west and south under the direction of the U. S. Strategic AF for Europe.

The bombers were escorted by large forces of Eighth AF fighters as well as the Ninth AF, RAF, Dominion and Allied fighters of the Allied Expeditionary AF.

Fighters shot down twenty-seven enemy aircraft. Three of our fighters were lost. Thirty-one of the Eighth AF bombers are missing. The total enemy aircraft destroyed by the

bombers is not yet available.

26 Feb.

The U. S. Strategic AF in Europe announce that heavy bombers and fighters of the Eighth and Fifteenth AF and fighters of the Eighth, Ninth and Fifteenth destroyed 142 enemy aircraft during Friday's attacks on German fighter aircraft factories at Regensburg, Augsburg and Fuerth and ball bearing plants at Stuttgart.

In a vain attempt to protect the vital remnants of German fighter production, the Luftwaffe opposed our attacking planes furiously. The Fifteenth AAF, which joined combat wings of the Eighth in our coordinated attack on the Messerschmitt works at Regensburg, encountered 250 to 300 enemy aircraft.

Our Italian-based air force destroyed ninety-three fighters in a violent and prolonged battle. Thirty-nine bombers and five fighters of the Fifteenth are missing. Some of these planes may have landed at remote friendly fields, which are numerous in the Mediterranean area. Heavy bombers of the British-based Eighth destroyed twenty-three enemy aircraft and fighters of the British-based Eighth

and Ninth, also operating from England, shot down twenty-six.

Some enemy aircraft encountered were of the bomber type. One of our bombers previously reported missing has been found safe, reducing Eighth bomber losses to thirty. Photographs made during attacks at Regensburg, Augsburg and Fuerth showed good results.

28 Feb.

Formations of Eighth AF heavy bombers escorted by AAF fighters, bombed Nazi military objectives in northern France today. Today's was the eighteenth operation carried out by the Eighth AF this month.

Another communique: Fortresses and Liberators of the Eighth AAF, escorted by AAF Lightnings, Thunderbolts and Mustangs, attacked military targets in northern France today. There was no opposition from enemy aircraft. One enemy aircraft was destroyed by our fighters as it was taking off. Six of our heavy bombers were missing.

29 Feb.

B-17 Flying Fortresses of the Eighth AAF

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today attacked targets at Brunswick, one of Germany's major manufacturers of aircraft components and engines and an important communications center. Protection was provided by AAF and RAF fighters.

Brunswick targets twice were attacked in last week's record-breaking daylight offensive against Nazi aircraft component assembly and allied industries.

A later communique: B-17 Flying Fortresses of the Eighth AAF attacked industrial targets at Brunswick today through overcast. It was the third attack on Brunswick in the past ten days.

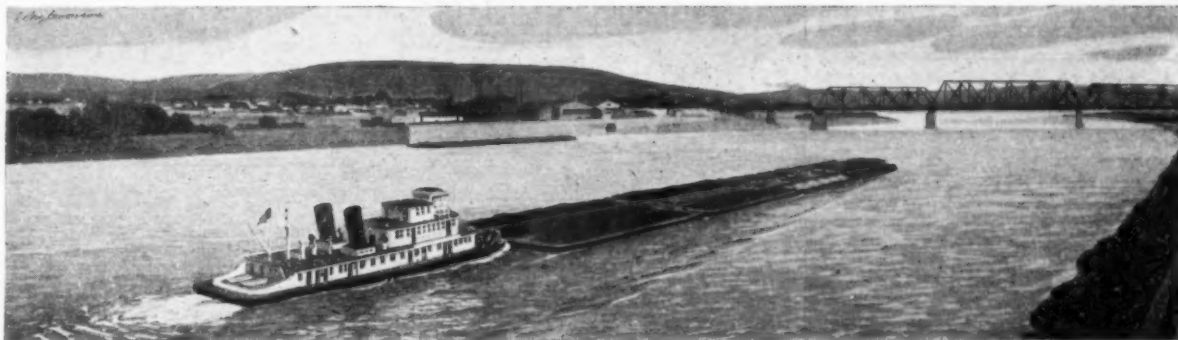
The bombers were escorted by strong formations of P-47 Thunderbolts, P-38 Lightnings and P51 Mustangs of the EighthAF and by Ninth AAF Mustangs and RAF Typhoons of the Allied Expeditionary AF.

Eighth AAF B-24 Liberators, escorted by Thunderbolts, attacked military installations (Continued on Next Page)

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in the Pas-de-Calais area.

These bombings marked the nineteenth day during February in which offensive operations were carried out by Eighth AAF aircraft, establishing a new record for a monthly period in this theatre.

Practically no opposition from enemy fighters was encountered. One bomber, six American Air Force fighters and two RAF fighters are missing. One German aircraft was destroyed by AAF fighters and two by RAF fighters.

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FOURTEENTH, USAF, HQ. CHUNGKING

25 Feb.
In northern Burma, a Chinese expeditionary force, pursuing an enemy unit which retreated across Wantuk Mountain, found along the way fifty dead bodies, left behind by the enemy. It is further confirmed that on 23 Feb. 140 enemy dead were found in other engagements.

An enemy column which was forced to retreat toward Wantuk Mountain was ambushed and annihilated southeast of Lakye. Another enemy column, surrounded at Bumhpawng, was also annihilated. The enemy left many corpses behind.

In the Thiyawnbang area an enemy force at a certain point attempted to strike against the Chinese but was driven back to its original position.

In the last few days it has been confirmed

that the enemy left behind 160 bodies. Chinese casualties totaled only sixty-two killed and four wounded. This sharp contrast in casualties is due to the success of carefully planned ambush strategy.

26 Feb.

Mitchells and fighters-bombers of the Fourteenth AAF were active 24 and 25 Feb. along the Yangtze River in China and also in French Indo-China.

24 Feb., Mitchells, including those of the Chinese-American wing, with a fighter escort, attacked warehouses, railroad yards at Kiang, in central China. Eight Japanese fighters intercepted our aircraft. In a running fight, one Zero was shot down and seven damaged. One of our bombers received minor damage.

The same day, American Lightnings, sweeping the Yangtze River from Chihchow to Fengteh, destroyed fifteen sampans. One 75-foot double-deck ferry boat, five 75-foot tugs pulling barges loaded either with iron ore or coal, and three 75-foot river steamers and five 50-foot motor launches were damaged.

25 Feb., continuing their attacks along the Yangtze, our Mitchells bombed warehouses at Wuhu. Ninety per cent of the bombs were in the target area, starting three large fires, which were accompanied by large columns of smoke. Other Mitchells sank two 50-foot motor launches and damaged three 50-foot river freighters.

The same day, American Mitchells attacked railroad and dock installations at Hongay, French Indo-China. Direct hits were scored on loading equipment and engine sheds. A 60-foot camouflaged boat and docks were damaged. The entire area was then strafed.

Fighter-bombers damaged docks and loading equipment. From all these missions, one of our aircraft is missing.

27 Feb.

Mitchells of the Fourteenth Air Force on 26 Feb. bombed the airdrome and other Japanese installations at Tourane, French Indo-China. Five warehouses were demolished and four railroad buildings and a locomotive were destroyed. Our aircraft then sank a sixty-foot camouflaged steam launch and a 1,000-ton cargo vessel in the harbor, also damaging docks and rolling stock.

Additional reports of Fourteenth AF activity on 25 Feb. say that fighter-bombers dive-bombed Japanese installations at Hongay, French Indo-China, scoring direct hits on docks and warehouses. Large gasoline or munitions fires were started. Our aircraft also bombed two ships in Hongay Harbor. A 1,200-ton vessel sank immediately and one of 1,700 tons was severely damaged.

Campha Port, in French Indo-China, also was attacked by our fighter-bombers, which sank a 1,500-ton cargo vessel and did considerable damage by strafing warehouses and loading equipment. The main administration building on Weichow Island, in Tongking Gulf, was strafed with unobserved results. All of our aircraft are accounted for.

28 Feb.

Mitchells of the U. S. Fourteenth AF on 27 Feb. attacked Japanese-held installations at Nam Dinh in French Indo-China, scoring direct hits on several buildings.

One large fire and several small ones were observed. Our aircraft also destroyed rolling stock, railroad trackage, and severely damaged a railroad bridge near the town. One 100-foot river steamer was sunk.

Our Mitchells then attacked another area, destroying railroad cars. One bomb hit a building causing severe damage. Two locomotives and four river steamers then were strafed near Nam Dinh.

In central China, our fighter-bombers attacked the railroad bridge at Puchi, destroying one span and putting the bridge out of commission.

All our aircraft returned safely from these missions.

Fire and Smoke

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consecutive hours, its two platoons alternating in the firing so as not to burn up the mortars. There were very few casualties, despite heavy artillery fire. As an example of how closely such smoke can be controlled, the screen was lifted several times to permit Allied dive bombers to hit the foe and then was again laid down.

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Fire and Smoke

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phibious flanking attack. Smoke has been less extensively used in the South Pacific but was employed with great success to shield the landing of paratroopers near Lae.

Colored smoke grenades, a recent innovation, have come into their own. Producing red, black, yellow, green, orange, blue, and violet hues, the grenades have been used at Buna to mark targets for the artillery and to identify ground units to friendly aircraft. Large quantities of yellow smoke grenades have been consumed also by the Seventh Army in Sicily for front-line identification to airmen.

An intercepted radio conversation between two enemy pilots over one of our well-screened harbors illustrates the results of effective smoke tactics: "It's no good attacking that place because of the smoke." High-ranking officers who have seen the lives of their men saved by protective man-made mists and by signal smokes enthusiastically predict the increasing use of smoke troops and equipment. One general who observed the Tunisian campaign reports, "The cry was for smoke and more smoke."

CWS incendiary weapons have been an especially potent answer to Japanese jungle tactics. The Japs don't like fire. Wielded by Combat Engineers, the portable flamethrower has accounted for many a Japanese pill box and machine gun nest in the Pacific Islands. When the Japs, revising the standard procedure, began to hide their machine-gun nests in the depths of the New Georgian jungle, flamethrowers in groups of three burned them out. In order to reach these hidden strongpoints, the flanking flamethrowers were used to cut through the dense undergrowth, clearing a path for the center flamethrower to go after the Japs themselves.

The chemical thermite grenade spoiled another Japanese trick. Lurking quiet in their dugouts as our infantry advanced, the Japs would later emerge to shoot our men in the back. The infantry put a stop to this by tossing a thermite grenade into each dugout on the way by, and if there were any Japs present they came out in a hurry. These grenades were also used to spike Japanese infiltration by night. Booby traps were set up so that when a Jap patrol brushed the trip wire a thermite grenade slid down a wire from a nearby tree, igniting as it struck the ground, and silhouetting the startled enemy against a white glare.

Incendiary bombs manufactured by the Chemical Warfare Service have become a devastating weapon against enemy property. The Army Air Forces have dropped thousands of tons of these magnesium, thermite, and solid-oil fire bombs, which have made up a substantial percentage of the total used against war plants throughout the Axis world. Berlin and Tokyo have both felt the impact of CWS incendiaries.

In order to supply these incendiaries and a long list of additional munitions to other arms and services as well as to our own troops, the Chemical Warfare Service is engaged in a huge procurement program under the Army Service Forces. Four CWS arsenals and a multitude of civilian plants under contract are turning out the materials of war, materials which are being put to good use in the field. Our troops have engaged the enemy with smoke and fire, and I feel confident that chemical outfits are going to be used in ever-increasing numbers in future operations. Chemicals have gone to war!

Army Promotions

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H. C. Brown, AC
E. G. Froberg, AC
H. G. Reifsnider, FA
A. H. Jacobs, DC
G. R. Eckert, MC
E. H. Day, CWS
E. S. Smith, AC
F. E. Merrigan, QMC
J. S. Walker, Inf
W. L. Hale, AC
R. D. Stiehler, AC
E. C. Hollingsworth, Jr., CMP
S. J. Schmidt, AC
T. J. Carnes, CWS
T. O. Jones, Jr., AC
R. M. Dorne, MC
G. P. St. Clair, AC
R. C. Bevans, Inf

U. S. COAST GUARD

Correct Precedence

The President has approved for precedence purposes the following changes in dates of rank given in AICoasts 85 and 86:

Commanders promoted to captain under AICoast 85, from 1 Dec. 1943 to 1 June 1943.
Lieutenant Commanders promoted to commander under AICoast 85, with signal numbers from 30250 to 30313, inclusive, and 35074 to 35078, inclusive, from 1 Dec. 1943 to 15 Oct. 1942; with signal numbers from 30315 to 30351, inclusive, and 35079 to 35082, inclusive, from 1 Dec. 1943 to 1 Nov. 1942; with signal numbers from 30353 to 30377, inclusive, and 35086 to 35108, inclusive, and Frederick A. Just, from 1 Dec. 1943 to 18 Nov. 1942.

Lieutenants promoted to Lieutenant Commander under AICoast 86, with signal numbers from 30588 to 30637, inclusive, and 32225 to 32245, inclusive, from 1 Dec. 1943, to 1 Aug. 1943.

Officials Attend Launching

A group of high Coast Guard officials, headed by Vice Adm. Russell R. Waesche, the Commandant, attended the launching of the 250-foot cutter Mendota at the Coast Guard Yard, Curtis Bay, Md., on 29 Feb.

Mrs. James Pine, wife of the Superintendent of the Coast Guard Academy, sponsored the vessel.

Those present included Rear Adm. James Pine, Rear Adm. Harvey F. Johnson, Engineer in Chief; Rear Adm. Frank J. Gorman, Chief Finance and Supply Officer; Capt. Arthur J. Hesford, aide to Admiral Waesche, and Capt. Ellis Reed-Hill, Director of Coast Guard Public Relations.

Today, 4 March, the ice breaker Mackinaw is to be launched at Toledo, Ohio, with Mrs. Russell R. Waesche, wife of the Commandant, as sponsor.

Navy's Manpower Survey

Work on the Navy's Manpower Survey Board already has resulted in relief of some personnel not pulling their "weight in the boat," Vice Adm. Adolphus Andrews, USN-ret., senior member of the board, told a House Appropriations Subcommittee on 29 Feb.

Admiral Andrews told the subcommittee how his board, composed of naval officers, a member of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, and prominent civilians, had organized local boards in the naval districts, each headed by a rear admiral or captain, and assisted by prominent civilians, to investigate local facilities to determine if the Navy's civilian and military manpower is being used to the best advantage.

Shortly after formation of the Washington board, Admiral Andrews told Chairman Sheppard and members of the committee, now processing the 1945 naval appropriation bill, he outlined the purposes of the board to all district commanders, bureau chiefs and the Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Commandant of the Coast Guard.

Although primary purpose was to reduce the number of personnel in shore establishments where possible, certain complements would be increased should the board's investigation find it necessary, Admiral Andrews stated.

In many cases the Navy, Marine and Coast Guard officials have, on their own initiative, instituted reductions and changes in their officer, enlisted and civilian personnel "tending to more efficient operation and to more effective use of personnel," he said.

He continued:
"The Navy Manpower Survey Board here in Washington as a preliminary step directed commanders and commanding officers of all Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard shore establishments to furnish the names of officers whose services could be dispensed with but who were fully qualified to perform duty elsewhere and also names of officers who because of age, physical condition or other reasons should not be retained on active duty. As a result of this directive the Navy Manpower Survey Board has submitted to the Secretary of the Navy the names of 2,332 Navy officers, 155 Marine Corps officers and 109 Coast Guard officers, or a total of 2,596 officers who were made available for transfer to other duties. The Secretary of the Navy approved our recommendations and as a result many of these officers are now at sea or at Advance Bases or are undergoing training for overseas duty.

"Also as a result of this directive the Navy Manpower Survey Board has submitted to the Secretary of the Navy the names of 91 Naval officers, 10 Marine Corps officers, and 44 Coast Guard officers who in the opinion of their Commanding Officers should not be retained on active duty because of age, physical condition, or other reasons. The Secretary of the Navy has approved our recommendations and as a result many of these officers are now at sea or at Advance Bases or are undergoing training for overseas duty.

ical condition, or other reasons. The Secretary of the Navy has issued orders that a special investigation be made in the case of each of these officers, and those found to be not fully qualified for active duty are to be released or transferred to an inactive duty status in accordance with procedures which fully protect the rights of the individuals concerned."

Draft Physical Tests

The President's commission to study the feasibility of lowering physical requirements for inductees into the Armed Forces, reported this week against any such reduction in standards. The report did recommend some changes, couched in highly technical language, but it was explained that they represented no lowering of requirements. The written physical standards were described by Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, director of Selective Service, as follows:

"There has been a clarification of wording which may aid in the interpretation and evaluation of the standards for acceptance, especially in the field of nervous and mental diseases and in the cardio-vascular (heart) system. There are many minor changes, some of which lower and others raise the actual physical standards. These deviations from the present standards are minor in character and do not permit an exact estimate of the number of men who will be affected by these changes. The most favorable estimate would be that the result in additional numbers inducted would not be significant. Hence, the maximum to be hoped for under these changes would be improvement of selection qualitatively and with little result quantitatively."

Services to Keep Blinded Men

Service men blinded in the war will remain members of the Army, Navy or Marine Corps until they have been adjusted to take their places in society at a center to be established and operated by the Army Medical Department, the War Department announced this week.

Blinded service men will not be released from their military organizations until they have had the social adjustment training necessary to enable them "to undertake with confidence a course of vocational training and pursue same to a successful conclusion — satisfactory employment."

Gen. Giles to Cairo

Dispatches this week from Cairo reported that Brig. Gen. Benjamin Giles, USA, has succeeded Maj. Gen. Ralph Royce, USA, as commanding general, U. S. Forces in the Middle East. General Giles formerly commanded the 9th Air Force Troop Carrier Command. General Royce's new assignment has not been announced.

Calendar of Legislation

ACTION ON LEGISLATION

H. R. 4134. To reestablish the grade of Admiral of the Navy. Reported by House Naval Committee.

H. R. 3087. Tax bill. Passed by House and Senate over President's veto.

H. R. 2012. To authorize the charging of tolls for the passage of traffic over the Golden Gate Bridge. Conference report agreed to by Senate and House. To President.

S. 1084. Providing for the management and operation of naval plantations outside the continental United States. Reported by Senate Naval Committee.

S. 1647. Amends existing law to provide that bonded personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard shall have their bonds continued by the payment and acceptance of the necessary premium. Reported by the House Naval Committee, amended to include the Army and employees of other civilian agencies.

S. 1653. Provides titles for heads of staff departments of the United States Marine Corps. Reported by House Naval Committee.

H. R. 242. To reimburse Capt. (now Maj.) Malcolm K. Beyer, USMCR, for the value of personal property destroyed in a fire at C.C.C. camp at Breeze Hill, Wawayanda, N. Y., 3 April, 1937. Reported by House Naval Committee.

H. R. 634. Provides for the advancement to the rank of vice admiral of Rear Adm. Emory S. Land, USN-ret. Reported by House Reported by House Naval Committee.

H. R. 2350. Increasing pensions of Spanish-American veterans. Signed by President.

H. R. 2970. Grants actual rank during the emergency to members of the Navy Nurse Corps. Signed by President.

S. 1349. Authorizes the Secretary of the Navy to convey to the city of New York certain lands within the Brooklyn Navy Yard. Reported by House Naval Committee.

S. 1427. Authorizes appointment of Gregory Boyington a first lieutenant in the Regular Marine Corps. Reported by House Naval Committee.

S. 1428. Amends existing law to provide that the 6 months death gratuity shall be paid to certain living dependents and not to the estate of any deceased dependent. Reported by House Naval Committee.

S. 1040. Authorizes the Secretary of the Navy to accept gifts and bequests for the Naval Academy. Reported by House Naval Committee.

BILLS INTRODUCED

H. R. 4280. Rep. Rankin, Miss. Provides by amendment of existing law, for increase in pension of certain dependents of certain totally or partly disabled veterans.

H. R. 4284. Rep. Busbey, Ill. Provides for promotion of American prisoners of war. Includes officers and enlisted personnel below grade of colonel in the Army and corresponding ranks of other services.

H. R. 4291. Rep. May, Ky. To extend for one year existing law which authorizes the President to requisition certain articles and materials for the use of the United States.

S. J. Res. 117. Sen. Chavez, N. Mex. H. R. 243. Rep. Engle, Calif. H. J. Res. 244. Rep. Anderson, Calif. Creating a commission to explore means of securing an agreement between the United States and Japan for the exchange of certain persons interned by such countries.

S. 1741. Sen. Walsh, Mass., and H. R. 4290. Rep. McGehee, Miss. To reimburse Navy and civilian personnel for property lost by fire in hangar V-3 at the naval air station, Norfolk, Va., 12 Nov. 1942.

Conservation of Personnel

In order to release as many men for overseas duty as possible, the War Department has ordered a number of procedures designed to reduce personnel in station complements.

At overseas replacement depots all personnel for administrative and housekeeping purposes which can be furnished by day-to-day details from duty rosters will be furnished from transient populations awaiting embarkation instead of from permanent depot personnel.

Station complements at localities where field force units are stationed will be limited to the minimum number required to operate the station when no other troops are present. Personnel of the field units will perform only such station duties as can be performed on a rotational basis; they will not be assigned to permanent or extended special duty at the station, and generally will not be assigned to station duties until individual or basic training has been completed.

The present services rendered by station complements at schools and replacement training centers will be continued, but members will be reduced as much as practicable.

Among duties which field force units, rather than station complements, should be assigned to are: interior guard duty, collection and distribution of laundry, as assistants in manning motor maintenance shops, as assistants in storing, and distributing subsistence and supplies, as military police to the degree made necessary by the presence of the field force units, necessary fatigue duties and similar duties.

Higher Rank Bills

A formal report endorsing the bill to create the grade of "Admiral of the Navy" for Admirals Ernest J. King and William D. Leahy, was filed this week by the House Naval Affairs Committee which last week voted, 19 to 1, after considerable debate, to report the measure.

Filing of the report makes it possible to take up the bill at any time by unanimous consent, but indications in Congress this week were that any such move would meet objections. The alternative is to bring the measure before the House through a special order of business obtained from the Rules Committee.

A companion bill is before the Senate Naval Committee, which has stated that it will not act until House action is completed.

Other bills to enlarge the grade of "General of the Armies of the United States" to permit appointment of Generals Marshall and Arnold to that high grade are pending in the House and Senate Military Affairs Committees. Marked opposition to the whole high rank proposal is developing in those committees.

It was indicated this week that the Senate Military Committee does not plan to take up its bill for "a long time" to come. The House Military Committee has asked for a report from the War Department on its bill. The report has not yet been received, and it was thought this week that the group may postpone all action until the outcome of the Navy bill is seen.

In its report on the "Admiral of the Navy" bill, the House Committee stated that representatives of the United States on the "Joint (sic) Chiefs of Staff" are outranked by contemporaries. "Actually the only member of the Combined Chiefs of Staff who, even on the Navy's concept of rank, is higher than a United States member is Field Marshal Sir John Dill, who is of the British Army, not the Royal Navy. The British Navy and Air members, Admiral Sir Percy Noble and Air Marshal Sir William L. Welsh, are of the same rank as the United States members.

Actually, of course, relative rank of officers as between nations is determined by assignment, not the title borne, it was made clear this week. In practice, Admiral Leahy presides at the meetings, inasmuch as sittings of the staff are held in the United States.

One authority recalled this week that General Dwight D. Eisenhower, was in November, 1942, while a lieutenant general, named commander in chief of allied forces in North Africa, having under him two full generals commanding the British First and Eighth Armies. General Eisenhower was not raised to four-star rank until 11 Feb. 1943.

It was pointed out that H.R. 4134, does not limit appointments in grade of "Admiral of the Navy" to Admirals King and Leahy, but that, if Admiral Leahy should be advanced, a third officer may be named.

The bill states:

"Appointments to such grade shall be made . . . from among line officers on the active list and retired line officers on active duty serving in the rank of Admiral in the Regular Navy . . . The number of officers of such grade on the active list at any one time shall not exceed two."

Obviously, Admiral Leahy is not on the active list, as general statutory construction and the specific wording quoted above make clear.

Text of the House Naval Affairs Committee's report follows:

"The Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 4134) to reestablish the grade of Admiral of the Navy, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

"The purpose of the proposed bill is to reestablish the grade of Admiral of the Navy on the active list of the Regular Navy and to provide for appointments to such grade. The bill further provides that officers may be appointed to this grade from among line officers on the active list and retired line officers on active duty serving in the rank of Admiral of the Regular Navy at the time of such appointment. The number of officers in such grade on the active list at any one time shall not exceed two. Appointments shall continue in force during such period as the President shall determine, and officers who have been appointed to the rank of Admiral of the Navy shall hold such rank when placed on the retired list. Officers appointed shall be entitled to the pay and allowances now or hereafter provided for The General of the Armies of the United States. The pay now provided by law is \$13,500, and the personal

allowance at present, as fixed by the President, is \$8,000.

"The committee has for some time been aware of the necessity for creating a higher grade than that now existing in the United States Navy. The reasons for this are twofold: (1) Because of the great increase in the size of the Navy and the scope of its activities, it is felt that for administrative purposes it is necessary to have this higher grade and (2) it is considered highly essential that our officers may have a rank comparable with contemporaries of other allied nations. The committee has given this matter careful consideration, and is strongly of the opinion that the prestige of the United States demands that officers hold rank befitting the great military power which the United States has become as a result of the military expansion necessary to prosecute the war. The committee is aware of the situation existing in connection with the Joint Chiefs of Staff in which representatives of the United States are outranked by contemporaries. There exists in the British Navy the rank of Admiral of the Fleet, which rank is higher than the highest rank now provided for our Navy, namely, that of Admiral. It has become apparent to the committee that it will, in all probability, be necessary for some years after the war to maintain liaison and possibly to take joint action with our present allies; and it is considered most essential that our officers meet contemporaries on an equal basis insofar as military rank is concerned. It is not the intention of the committee to create this grade solely for the purpose of rewarding individuals for outstanding performance of duty. Proper administration of the Naval Establishment requires this higher grade.

"The rank of Admiral of the Navy is not new in the United States Navy, inasmuch as Admiral George Dewey held this rank from the close of the Spanish-American War until his death, at which time the grade was vacated in accordance with the law which created the grade. The committee considered several other titles for the proposed grade, but after careful consideration concluded that the term, 'Admiral of the Navy,' was the most appropriate.

"The proposed bill will permit the appointment to the grade of Admiral of the Navy of officers from the retired list. The committee considers this to be highly desirable inasmuch as there may be officers of outstanding ability who possess the necessary qualifications for appointment to this high grade who have been placed on the retired list.

"The bill provides that officers who have held the rank of Admiral of the Navy shall hold such rank when placed on the retired list. In this connection the committee feels that an officer who has served in the grade of Admiral of the Navy is deserving of recognition and should be thus honored when he is finally retired.

"The committee has carefully considered the question of pay and allowances befitting the high rank now proposed. After due consideration it is thought that the pay and allowances now provided by law for The General of the Armies of the United States would be the most appropriate. This pay is \$13,500 per annum; the allowance as now fixed by the President is \$8,000. The committee is further of the opinion that officers who have held the rank of Admiral of the Navy should receive this pay and allowance when placed on the retired list, which provision is now provided by law for The General of the Armies of the United States.

"The Navy Department recommended the enactment of the proposed legislation as is indicated in the letter from the Secretary of the Navy to the Chairman of the Committee on Naval Affairs of the House of Representatives, which is hereby made a part of this report."

Admirals and Olives

(From the Chicago Daily Tribune, 29 Feb. 1944)

The Navy and War departments, which have afoot a scheme to create some five and six star admirals and generals, should take warning from the labels on olive jars. No one ever sees a jar labeled small olives, or medium olives. Large olives are like Jack Benny potatoes, and if you are after size, you have to look for mammoth or colossal grades.

Rep. Schafer of Michigan suggested that with the expense of stars and gold lace provided for the proposed new ranks, our higher commanders will have to be built on five by five principles in order to carry their insignia. An admiral of the navy (six stars and two broad bands of gold lace, with a narrow band between) might not go down with his ship, but if he fell overboard would certainly go down with his blouse.

Our history does not indicate that fancy rank is necessary to military accomplishment. Grant, a lieutenant general at Appomattox, accepted the surrender of Lee, a full general, and a half dozen lieutenant generals whose Confederate commissions outranked his own. Pershing was only a general in a galaxy of field marshals, but there was never any doubt who ran the American expeditionary force. Nor would an officer of weaker will have been able to do what Pershing did merely because he wore six stars and was called general of the armies.

The ostensible excuse for the new ranks is that we now have no one to be compared to those of British field marshals and admirals of the fleet. What of it? If command of joint forces is to depend upon rank rather than ability, we had better fight in one sector and leave the British to fight in another. As a matter of fact, higher commands in European operations have not been based on a fictitious rank or seniority. And if we are going to start competing with the British in matters of rank, what are we to do when the proposed Mexican expeditionary force takes the field? What would we do on the arrival of a Bolivian contingent, in which every captain wears the three stars that we reserve for lieutenant generals?

The proposal for these super-ranks is a foolish, popinjay idea. It cheapens all the ranks now in existence, just as the somewhat in-

discriminate distribution of decorations in this war tends to cheapen those awards for heroism.

The only portion of the proposal with a glimmer of sense to it is the suggested increase in salary for our more important commanders. Admirals and generals now draw \$10,000 a year. The proposed salaries of \$21,500 for the highest ranks are more nearly commensurate with the responsibilities of war time commanders carry. For the chief of staff and chief of naval operations, this salary might even be boosted by a thousand dollars or so, as a bonus for the vigilance to keep Secretaries Knox and Stimson from gumming up the war.

Stars On Service Ribbons

A revised list of all Naval operations and engagements since 7 Dec. 1941, for which Naval personnel are authorized to wear bronze or silver stars on Area Service Ribbons has been issued by the Commander in Chief, United States Fleet, and Chief of Naval Operations.

Under the regulations accompanying the new list, the use of numerals and clasps for certain types of duty has been discontinued. In lieu of these, stars will be worn for action or duties designated as hazardous enough to merit such an award.

In general, the prerequisite to wearing a star on an Area Service Ribbon is honorable service in a ship, aircraft unit or shore-based force at the time it participated in actual combat with the enemy in a designated operation or engagement. In addition, a Commanding Officer may recommend that a star be authorized for hazardous duty that did not result in actual combat.

The operation or engagement stars authorized to date are:

For Asiatic-Pacific Area Service Ribbon
Pearl Harbor, 7 Dec. 1941; Wake Island, 8-23 Dec. 1941; Philippine Islands operation, 8 Dec. 1941 to 6 May 1942.

Netherlands East Indies engagements (Only one star for participation in one or more of the following): Makassar Strait, 23-24 Jan. 1942; Badoeng Strait, 19-20 Feb. 1942; Java Sea, 27 Feb. 1942.

Pacific Raids—1942 (Only one star for participation in one or more of the following): Marshall-Gilbert raids, 1 Feb. 1942; Air Action off Bougainville, 20 Feb. 1942; Wake Island Raid, 24 Feb. 1942; Marcus Island Raid, 4 Mar. 1942; Salamaua-Lae Raid, 10 Mar. 1942.

Coral Sea, 4-8 May 1942; Midway, 3-6 June 1942; Guadalcanal-Tulagi Landings, (Including First Savo), 7-9 Aug. 1942; Capture and Defense of Guadalcanal, 10 Aug. 1942 to 8 Feb. 1943; Makin Raid, 17-18 Aug. 1942; Eastern Solomons (Stewart Island), 23-25 Aug. 1942; Buin-Faisi-Tonolai Raid, 5 Oct. 1942; Cape Esperance (Second Savo), 11-12 Oct. 1942; Santa Cruz Islands, 26 Oct. 1942; Guadalcanal (Third Savo), 12-15 Nov. 1942; Tassafaronga (Fourth Savo), 30 Nov. and 1 Dec. 1942; Rennell Island, 25-30 Jan. 1943; Aleutians Operation (Only one star for participation in one or more of the following): Komandorski Islands, 26 Mar. 1943; Attu Occupation, 11 May to 2 June 1943.

New Georgia Group Operation, 20 June to 16 Oct. 1943 (Only one star for participation in one or more of the following): New Georgia-Redova-Vangunu Occupation, 20 June to 5 Aug. 1943; Kula Gulf Action, 5-6 July 1943; Kolombangara Action, 12-13 July 1943; Vella Gulf Action, 6-7 Aug. 1943; Vella La Vella Occupation, 15 Aug. to 16 Oct. 1943; Action off Vella La Vella, 6-7 Oct. 1943.

Pacific Raids—1943 (Only one star for participation in one or more of the following): Marcus Island Raid, 31 Aug. 1943; Tarawa Island Raid, 18 Sept. 1943; Wake Island Raid, 5-6 Oct. 1943.

New Guinea Operation, 4 Sept. 1943 to (date to be announced later); Treasury-Bougainville Operation, 27 Oct. 1943 to (date to be announced later); Bismarck Archipelago Operation, 15 Dec. 1943 to (date to be announced later); Gilbert Islands Operation, 20 Nov. 1943 to (date to be announced later).

European-African-Middle Eastern Area Service Ribbon

North African Occupation (Only one star for participation in one or more of the following): Algeria-Morocco Landings, 8-11 Nov. 1942; Action off Casablanca, 8 Nov. 1942; Tunisian Operations, 8 Nov. 1942 to 9 July 1943; Sicilian Occupation, 9-15 July, 1943, 28 July to 17 Aug. 1943; Salerno Landings, 9 to 21 Sept. 1943.

In addition to these actions and operations, participants in attacks on enemy submarines which have resulted in the positive or probable sinking of the submarine merit a star on the appropriate Area Service Ribbon. Also, the Commander in Chief, United States Fleet, and Chief of Naval Operations may from time to time, when justified by the intensity and significance of the operation or engagement, authorize the award of a star to personnel of ships or aircraft for the following services:

a) Patrols or service of maintenance, supply, mine-laying, mine-sweeping, and other special operations, which have resulted in an engagement in which a ship or aircraft has suffered damage from the enemy or has destroyed or severely damaged an enemy ship or aircraft.

b) Duty that did not result in actual combat with resultant damage to or from the enemy but which is considered equally hazardous.

Pearl Harbor Testimony

Secretary of the Navy Knox announced 25 Feb. that he had detailed Admiral Thomas C. Hart, USN-Ret., to hear and record the testimony of members of the Naval service who had knowledge of facts pertinent to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on 7 Dec. 1941.

The reason for this action, it was stated, is that certain Naval officers who have personal knowledge of the facts relevant to the Pearl Harbor disaster are now on dangerous assignments, which might render them unavailable for testifying in any proceeding that might be held in the future, and it is desired to preclude the possibility of evidence being lost, by death or otherwise, by hearing and recording their testimony at the present time.

Officers now on duty on vital assignments in the various theaters of operations will not be called to Washington for this examination. The officer detailed to conduct the examination will go to the present duty stations of the officers who are to be questioned, so that their testimony may be preserved with a minimum amount of interference with their present duties.

Questioned 2 March as to whether the War Department has taken similar action, the Secretary of War stated that the department is working in full cooperation with the Navy Department on the matter. Asked who is filling the assignment comparable to that of Admiral Hart, Mr. Stimson replied: "I did not know that Admiral Hart had been given that assignment. I can make no announcement."

Emphasize Medical Training

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made within the six months preceding a unit's departure overseas.

The department has instructed that "appropriate command action" be taken in the cases of all officers and noncommissioned officers who do not attain the prescribed minimum standards of proficiency.

It also has been ordered that refresher courses in the three topics be given in all officer pools, at overseas replacement depots and in staging areas.

To attain the prescribed standards a 33-hour instruction course for enlisted men of the lower grades has been outlined. For NCO's and company officers a 26-hour course is outlined, designed to give such personnel a teaching knowledge of sanitation and first aid and to enable them to recognize signs and symptoms of poor mental health and to know the causes of mental breakdowns.

The 33-hour enlisted men's course will include 20 hours during which such phases of sanitation as personal hygiene, sex hygiene, mess sanitation, control of intestinal diseases, water purification, malaria control and the like will be covered; 10 hours of first aid, and three hours of personal adjustment lectures, including personal adjustment problems, recognition and handling of emotions and feelings and a healthy viewpoint toward service life.

The 26-hour course is similar, 12 hours being given to sanitation, 8 hours to first aid and 6 hours to personal adjustment lectures.

The degree to which commanders of all echelons preserve the fighting strength of their units by maintaining the health of their men is a measure of their leadership ability, the War Department points out.

"The unit surgeon is a staff officer of essential importance," the department stated. "He is not provided for the sole purpose of administering to the sick and injured. His primary responsibility is to advise his commander how the personnel of the command can be kept physically and mentally well."

Gen. MacArthur on Ballot

The name of General MacArthur remained on the ballot for the Presidential preferential primary in Illinois on 11 April as the time expired 26 Feb. for the withdrawal of candidates.

Entered without his written approval, his name will remain while those of all other major Republican Presidential possibilities will not appear. The result of the primary will not be binding on the state's 59 convention delegates.

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